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## Clothing Wanted For Refugees

London, Aug. 26. Clothes of every kind, especially for men, are needed by the W.V.S. clothing centre in Eaton Square for refugees now in London from Malta and Gibraltar.

Underclothes are also needed for women and children. The W.V.S. also want to re-stock some of their depots, from which they supply air raid victims with clothes. Toys and books are required for the children.

## "PRINCIPLES OF ENGLISH LIBERTY" CLAIMED

# INTERNEE INVOKES MAGNA CARTA FOR PRISON RELEASE

INVOKING "THE PRINCIPLES OF ENGLISH LIBERTY," AN INTERNEE SOUGHT RELEASE FROM PRISON.

An application was made to a King's Bench Divisional Court for the release from prison of Mr. Aubrey Trevor Oswald Lees.

Mr. Gerald Gardiner, for Mr. Lees, said he moved for a writ of habeas corpus directed to Sir John Anderson—"to bring up the body of Mr. Aubrey Trevor Oswald Lees, one of his Majesty's subjects, who has been imprisoned by the Home Secretary without any charge having been preferred against him, and without trial, and therefore in a manner prima facie contrary to the liberties granted by the Great Charter and the Bill of Rights."

Mr. Gardiner said that Mr. Lees had been detained in Brixton Prison and prisons in Stafford and Liverpool.

## PARIS IN SADDEST SUMMER

--Woman Escaped

PARIS must be looking lovely under the summer sun.

Paris with few signs of war; sandbags removed from public buildings and statues, air raid shelters pulled down.

But a Paris that is the saddest city in Europe, whose shops are closed, its people cowed and despairing—a city lacking milk and butter and vegetables, its streets full of German soldiers sightseeing and taking photographs.

This is the picture drawn by Mrs. Merle Symondson, the first British woman to escape from German occupied Paris and reach Britain.

**Penniless**  
She was wearing the blue suit and hat in which she had made her dangerous and weary journey from Paris by goods train, to Clermont-Ferrand, Marseilles, Spain, Portugal and home.

She was penniless on arrival but cheerful. This is what she said: "It was terrible to be in Paris during that first month of occupation."

"Germans flooded the city, taking all the main hotels and commandeered flats. They cleaned the shops of luxury goods, silk stockings and perfume, and commandeered all cars."

"Both money and food soon became scarce for Parisians. Food queues were a daily sight. There were about 1,000 British residents there. Many of them had tried to escape but had been turned back by the Germans."

"On the whole, the Germans left us alone though, and it was rather the French who began to resent us, because of the subtle anti-British propaganda spread among them."

**Frightened**  
"The French people who remained behind seemed to be resigned and rather frightened."

"For the English people stranded there one of the most terrible things was the lack of news."

"It was not possible to get any money either and many were suffering terrible hardships and taking any job they could to make a living."

Mrs. Symondson, who worked in the British Leave Club in Paris during the war, managed to escape by getting herself smuggled on to a goods train with a consignment of potatoes.

## Descendant Of Kings Had Title, "The Fox"

A DIRECT male descendant of Maine, fifth son of King Niall, of the Nine Hostages, Monarch of All Ireland in the fifth century, has left property in England valued at £20 7s. 6d.

He was Major Brabazon Hubert Maine Fox, of Galtrim, Co. Meath, the bearer of the ancient Irish title The Fox. When he and his wife were present at any function they were always announced as "The Fox and Madam Fox."

### The Legend

Legend has it that when The Fox dies all his four-legged namesakes in the county gather round the house to mourn his passing.

The ancient title is in danger of becoming extinct as the present bearer, Mr. Niall Fox, a nephew, a South Staffordshire full-time A.R.P. worker, has no male heir.

Probate of his will has been granted to his brother, Captain Arthur James Fox, of Tabour, Wiltshire, said that in spite of his title The Fox's chief recreation was fox-hunting.



In his affidavit Mr. Lees referred to a document handed to him a month after his detention.

**Mosley Meetings**  
Mr. Gardiner said the document was a form on which some police officer had filled in the name of Mr. Lees. It looked as if the police were given certain forms and then somebody filled in the names.

The document stated that the reasons for the order being made against Mr. Lees were: "That the Home Secretary had reasonable cause to believe he had been a member of the British Union and had acted in furtherance of its objects; that he had expressed pro-Fascist views and had furnished material for propaganda; and that he had attended meetings at which Sir Oswald Mosley was present with others interested in negotiating a peace with the leader of the Reich, and in propagating anti-British views, hindering our war effort, with a view to a Fascist revolution."

Mr. Lees said he did not know whether the allegations made against the British Union and Sir Oswald Mosley were true or not. He himself was not and never had been a member of the organisation.

**Radical Views**  
So far as he had any political views they could best be described as Radical.

He had been in the Colonial Civil Service and the Army Reserve of Officers and was a member of the United Services Club as well as of a Masonic lodge.

Mr. Justice Humphreys, who sat with Justices Oliver and Croom-Johnson, asked: "How can we go into the question whether the Home Secretary is justified in forming the view that this person is a member of the organisation? All we can decide is whether there is a prima facie case that he is illegally detained."

Mr. Lees further stated in his affidavit that he had never subscribed to the funds of the British Union, and attended union meetings only out of political curiosity.

He served in the last war, and was waiting to take up a new post on the Gold Coast when he was arrested.

Complaints against him appeared to be that he was anti-Semitic and that he had written a letter stating that he did not like Lord Halifax.

The Court adjourned the application to order that notice of the matter could be given to the Home Secretary.

[Habeas Corpus, the name given to a writ ordering the body of a person under restraint to be brought into court for full inquiry into the legality of the restraint. First Habeas Corpus Act was passed in 1679, although nominally such a right had existed from Magna Carta.]

**Is Learning To Fly At 81**  
Flying is not only a young man's game, according to Mr. William Clarke, a chemist of Tacoma, Washington, for at the age of 81 he has become the oldest student pilot in the U.S.A.

"Learning to fly isn't as tough as it might be," said Mr. Clarke. "My eyesight and general health are fine, and I am sure I can match co-ordination with any of these young people who are helping to make America air conscious."

A merry-faced man with a white beard, Mr. Clarke soon learned to land an airplane, and, according to his instructor, has a real knack for flying.

"I do not imagine they would draft me for the air corps in the event of a national emergency," Mr. Clarke smiled, "but maybe they would want me as an instructor. I would not mind a bit."

At 88 Likes To Ride In Planes

## "Broke Bank" Comic Reads Bible Lesson

"THE Man Who Broke the Bank at Monte Carlo"—Charles Coburn, the comedian, reads the Lesson in St. Peter's Church, Edgware.

### HE TOLD THEM

They're telling the story in London of the busy bar in the West End which was suddenly electrified when a foreign soldier—nationality unknown—suddenly went berserk, whipped out a revolver, and in broken but forcible English told everyone to go.

"Clear out," he shouted. "Go away, you blue-pencil people."

Hurriedly they departed but for one soldier, who leaped forward and said—

"Jings, felly, ye tell them that time. Did ye no see them scatter?"

The nationality of that soldier is not unknown.

He has done it regularly for the past ten years, and wants to continue for another ten.

Usually Charles spends his birthdays in an aeroplane above the clouds. "I'll have to be in my dreams this year," he says.

During the last war he sometimes gave four concerts a day to the troops.

Nowadays he is up at eight, and he spends the whole of the day fixing up concerts, broadcasts, and hospital shows.

This year his son, Major Duncan McCullum (Charles's real name is McCullum), was elected M.P. for Argyll.

### Remedies

Charles has plenty of ideas of what he would do if ever he got into the House of Commons.

"I'd have all those Belfast studs removed from the roads, for one thing. There are thousands of them. And there's a shortage of metal, isn't there? Very well!"

On his birthday a year ago Mr. Coburn appeared before the microphone for the first time.

## ALL CLASSES RALLY AGAINST HITLER

# Lawyers, Financiers, To Make War Supplies

LAWYERS, FINANCIERS, STREET SWEEPERS AND WOMEN ARE GIVING UP THEIR EVERYDAY JOBS TO TRAIN FOR WAR WORK. SOON THEY WILL BE DOING THEIR PART IN MAKING THE GOODS WHICH WILL BEAT HITLER.

In Manchester the Ministry of Labour outlined its plans for training the thousands who are needed for war work.

"This is a vital and special appeal to everyone in non-essential jobs to turn themselves over to war work," said Mr. H. N. Grundy, Divisional Controller for the North-Western Division.

## POLISH SOLDIERS Anti-Semitism Alleged

COMPLAINTS have been made of anti-Semitism among the Polish forces in Britain. These are not denied in Polish quarters.

It is denied, however, that this feeling or its manifestation touches more than a small minority of the soldiers.

General Sikorski, in a recent order of the day, dealt with the matter.

It points out that Jews serving here have given proof of their patriotism; and says that any soldier using even expressions of contempt will be punished.

### General's Daughter

The General's only daughter, Mile. Sikorska (the final "a" is the feminine variation of the name) is now in Scotland.

She is helping in the establishment of Polish hostels. Colonel Mitchell, M.P., and Lady Warrender and her committee are doing work there which is warmly appreciated by the Poles.

Mile. Sikorska, a dark, petite girl of 24, was a noted horsewoman. She won more than a score of prizes at gymkhana.

### Driving Farm Wagon

A more recent experience of horses was of a different kind. She stayed in Poland until March to help to organise the food supply. Mile. Sikorska lived on an estate 100 miles from Warsaw. She used to load a wagon with produce, and drive it to Warsaw.

The single journey took the two horses several days, and Mile. Sikorska put up at nights with peasants in remote villages.

"Every man in this area, be he a professional man or not, who is not in an essential job is appealed to go to the labour exchanges, put his name down for training as an engineer, and wait in his normal job until the call comes."

"We need thousands—and we must have them. Our plans for dealing with them are ready."

### Councils Move

He stated that Liverpool and Manchester are giving a lead to the rest of the country. In these two cities the municipal authorities are releasing men for engineering training.

"We are probing our hidden reserves. Men who were skilled engineers have been hidden away in other jobs. We are asking for them and finding them now in different ways."

The other day we found a porter at Blackpool railway station who was formerly a skilled turner," he said. "He is now doing valuable war work."

"Another—a cooper—was engaged in sweeping and tidying a building. He is now back at the bench."

"A lawyer in Manchester came to us and asked us to train him. He told us his partner would carry on the business until the war was over. A company director is also donning overalls."

**Union's Help**  
Local authorities and employers were sending in lists of men who were able to transfer to war work. One local authority had sent thousands of forms out to its employees asking them for details of their previous jobs.

The amalgamated Engineering Union was giving very valuable assistance.

All men who respond to the appeal will be trained either at Government centres, or technical institutes or by employers who have the necessary plant.

Over 16—with the exception of those who are registered for military service or who are in reserved occupations—are needed now.

**50,000 Women**  
Mr. Grundy gave examples of how men will be paid.

"A single man of 21 and over who is being trained in his home town will get 22s. a week, lunches, travel."

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1.03 Dance Music by Roy Fox & His Orchestra.  
1.30 Reuter & Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Light French Music.  
2.15 Close down.  
2.20 Dance Music.

2.28 Closing local Stock Quotations.  
3.30 Dance Music continued.  
7.0 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Topical Talks.  
7.30 De Groot & His Orchestra and Frank Kilerton (Tenor).  
8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 This week's programmes.  
8.08 Schumann—Trio in D Minor, Op. 63.  
Coriot, Thibaud and Casals.

8.38 Mozart—Symphony in D No. 35.  
Sir Hamilton Harty conducting the Halle Orchestra.

9.0 London Relay—The News & News Commentaries.  
9.45 Selections from Gilbert & Sullivan.

10.16 Reginald Foot at the Organ. Halls from the Shows, Cloister Shadows (Hope), "The Singing Marine" Selection, "Broadway Melody of 1938" Selection.

10.31 Albert Sandler & His Orchestra.  
11.0 Close down.

### Evacuation Session

It is notified for general information that a public session of the Evacuation Advisory Committee will be held on Tuesday, October 22, at 9 a.m., in the Council Chamber, Colonial Secretariat.

Only the cases of women who have applied to the Committee for hearing a person and have been requested to attend the meeting will be considered.

## POST OFFICE

The Imperial Airways Service between Hongkong and Bangkok is temporarily suspended. Air mail correspondence will be accepted at the existing rates of postage and will be forwarded by the first opportunity by steamer to Singapore to connect with the east and west bound air services.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

### INWARD MAILS

Java and Manila ..... Oct. 23.  
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C. date, 5th October) ..... Oct. 24.

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service," San Francisco date, 18th October ..... Oct. 25.  
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 4th October) ..... Oct. 26.

U.S.A. and Manila—(San Francisco date, 5th October) ..... Oct. 26.  
Australia and Manila ..... Oct. 26.  
Calcutta and Straits ..... Oct. 26.

London and Straits ..... Oct. 27.  
London and Straits ..... Oct. 28.  
U.S.A. and Manila—(Seattle date, 30th September) ..... Oct. 29.

Java and Manila ..... Oct. 30.  
London and Straits ..... Oct. 30.  
Australia and Manila ..... Nov. 1.

U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date 15th October) ..... Nov. 4.

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### Wednesday, Oct. 23

Sandakan ..... 8.30 a.m.  
Straits and United Kingdom. G.P.O. & K.P.O.  
Parcels ..... Oct. 23, 5.00 p.m.  
Reg. .... Oct. 23, 5.00 p.m.  
Ord. .... Oct. 24, 8.30 a.m.

### Friday, Oct. 25

Air Mail for Japan, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services" K.P.O.  
Reg. .... Oct. 25, 5.00 p.m.  
Ord. .... Oct. 25, 5.30 p.m.

### G.P.O.

Reg. .... Oct. 25, 5.00 p.m.  
Ord. .... Oct. 25, 7.00 p.m.

### Saturday, Oct. 26

Manila, Macassar and Sourabaya ..... 8.30 a.m.  
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa and United Kingdom. G.P.O. & K.P.O.  
Parcels ..... Oct. 26, 5.00 p.m.  
Reg. .... Oct. 26, 5.00 p.m.  
Ord. .... Oct. 26, 8.30 a.m.

### Monday, Oct. 28

Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America and United Kingdom via San Francisco. (No Mail for Canada) K.P.O.  
Parcels ..... Oct. 28, 4 p.m.  
Reg. .... Oct. 28, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Oct. 28, 5.30 p.m.

### G.P.O.

Parcels ..... Oct. 28, 4 p.m.  
Reg. .... Oct. 28, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Oct. 28, 7 p.m.

### Thursday, Oct. 31

Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., and United Kingdom via Vancouver B.C. (Parcels for Canada only) Note—All Mails for United Kingdom will be forwarded with or without subscription K.P.O.  
Parcels ..... Oct. 31, 5 p.m.  
Reg. .... Oct. 31, 5.30 p.m.  
Ord. .... Oct. 31, 7 p.m.

### Friday, Oct. 29

Straits and Calcutta. Parcels ..... Oct. 29, 11.00 a.m.  
Letters ..... Oct. 29 Noon.  
Sandakan ..... 12.30 p.m.  
Bangkok, Madang, Salamaun, Rabaul and Tulagi ..... 1.30 p.m.

### Monday, Nov. 2

Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., and United Kingdom via Vancouver B.C. (Parcels for Canada only) Note—All Mails for United Kingdom will be forwarded with or without subscription K.P.O.  
Parcels ..... Nov. 2, 4 p.m.  
Reg. .... Nov. 2, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Nov. 2, 5.30 p.m.

### G.P.O.

Parcels ..... Nov. 2, 4 p.m.  
Reg. .... Nov. 2, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Nov. 2, 5.30 p.m.

### Thursday, Nov. 29

Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., and United Kingdom via Vancouver B.C. (Parcels for Canada only) Note—All Mails for United Kingdom will be forwarded with or without subscription K.P.O.  
Parcels ..... Nov. 29, 5 p.m.  
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Ord. .... Nov. 29, 7 p.m.

### G.P.O. & K.P.O.

Parcels ..... Nov. 29, 5 p.m.  
Reg. .... Nov. 29, 5.30 p.m.  
Ord. .... Nov. 29, 7 p.m.

### Saturday, Nov. 2

Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America and United Kingdom via San Francisco (No Parcels for Canada) K.P.O.  
Parcels ..... Nov. 2, 4 p.m.  
Reg. .... Nov. 2, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Nov. 2, 5.30 p.m.

### G.P.O.

Parcels ..... Nov. 2, 4 p.m.  
Reg. .... Nov. 2, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Nov. 2, 5.30 p.m.

### Monday, Nov. 4

Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America and United Kingdom via San Francisco G.P.O. & K.P.O.  
Reg. .... Nov. 4, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Nov. 4, 8.30 a.m.

### G.P.O. & K.P.O.

Parcels ..... Nov. 4, 5 p.m.  
Reg. .... Nov. 4, 8.45 a.m.  
Ord. .... Nov. 4, 9.30 a.m.

### Monday, Nov. 4

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mombasa, Beira, Lourenco Marques, East and South Africa via Durban. 2.30 p.m. \*Superscribed Correspondence Only.

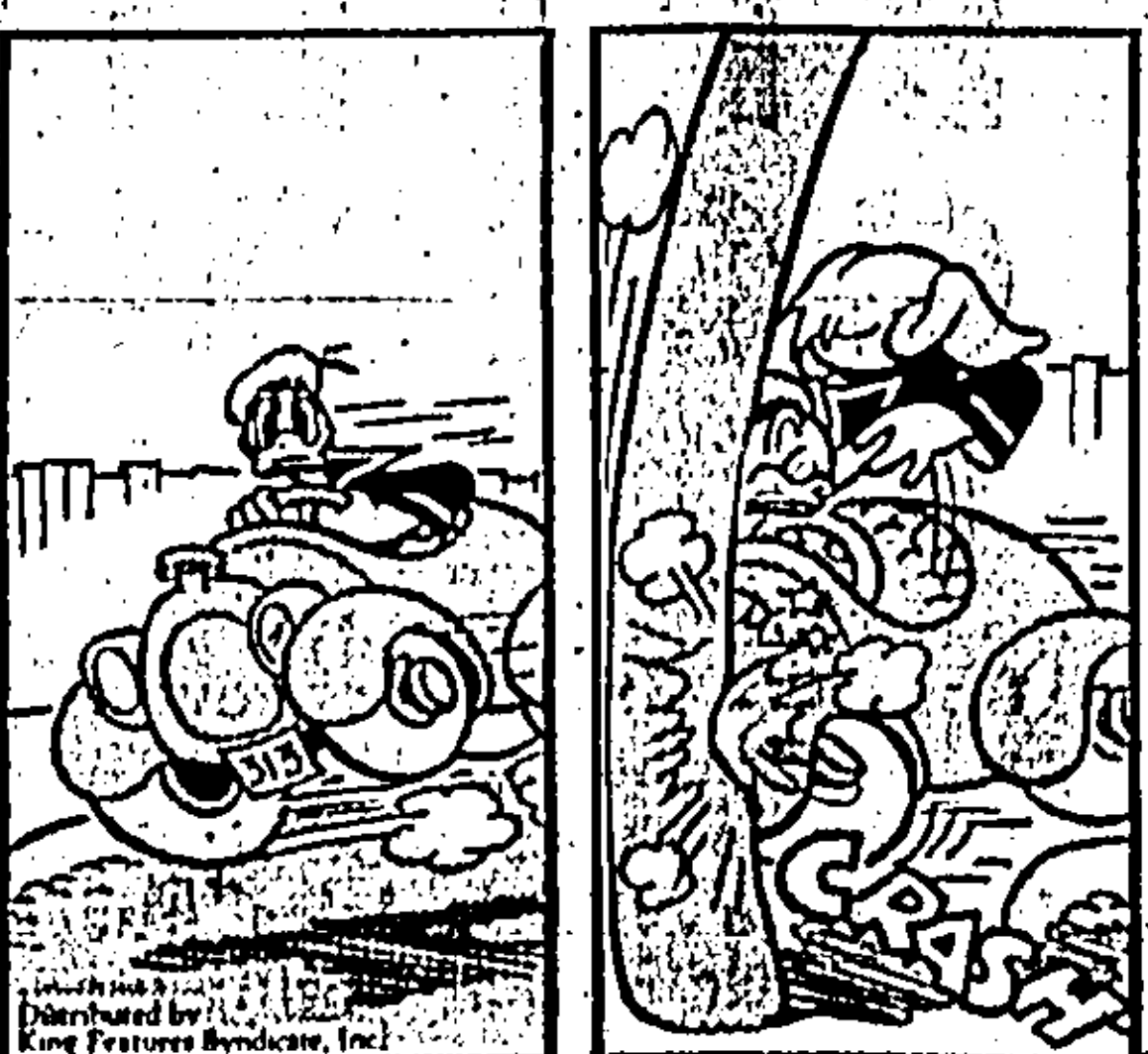
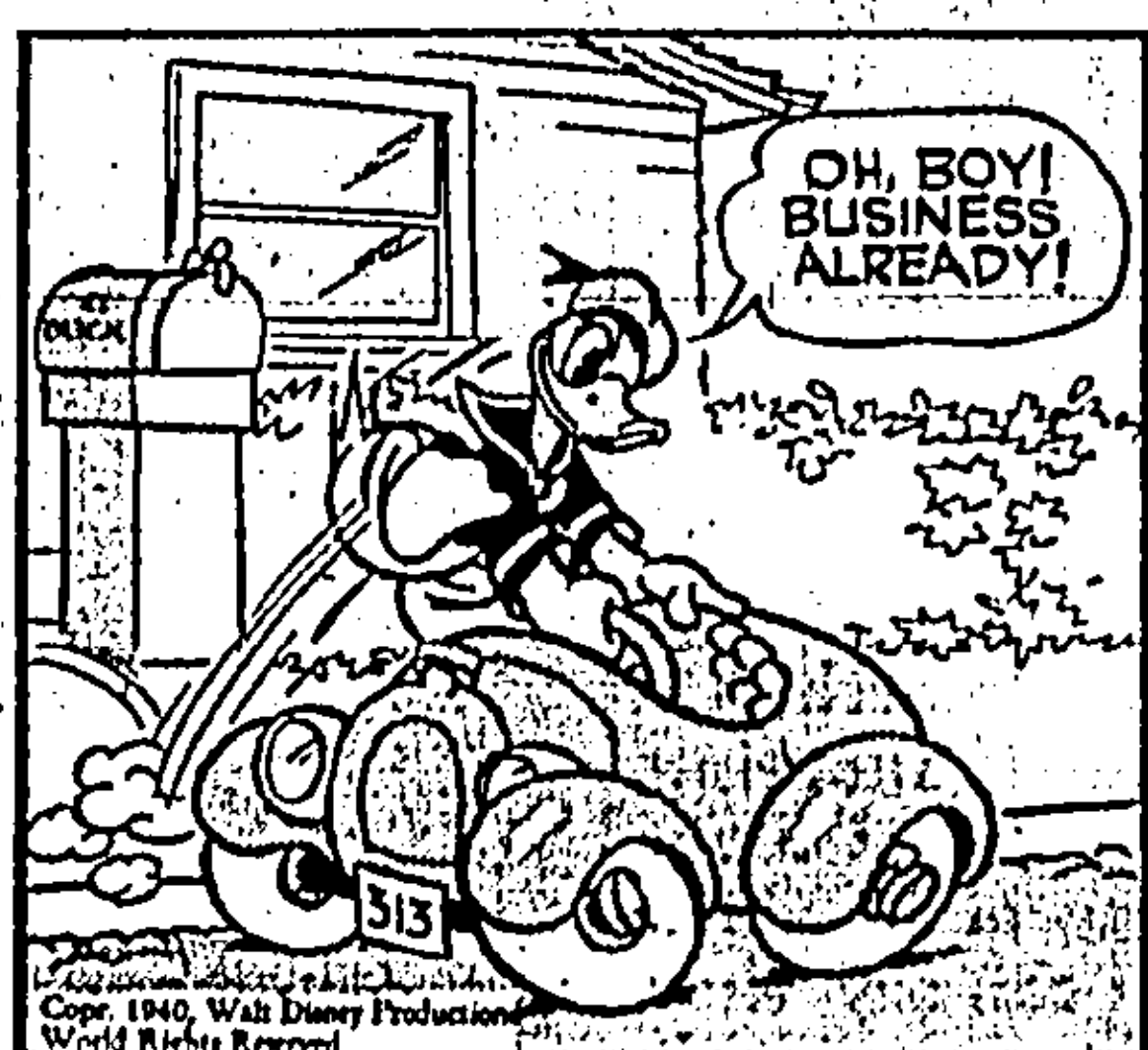
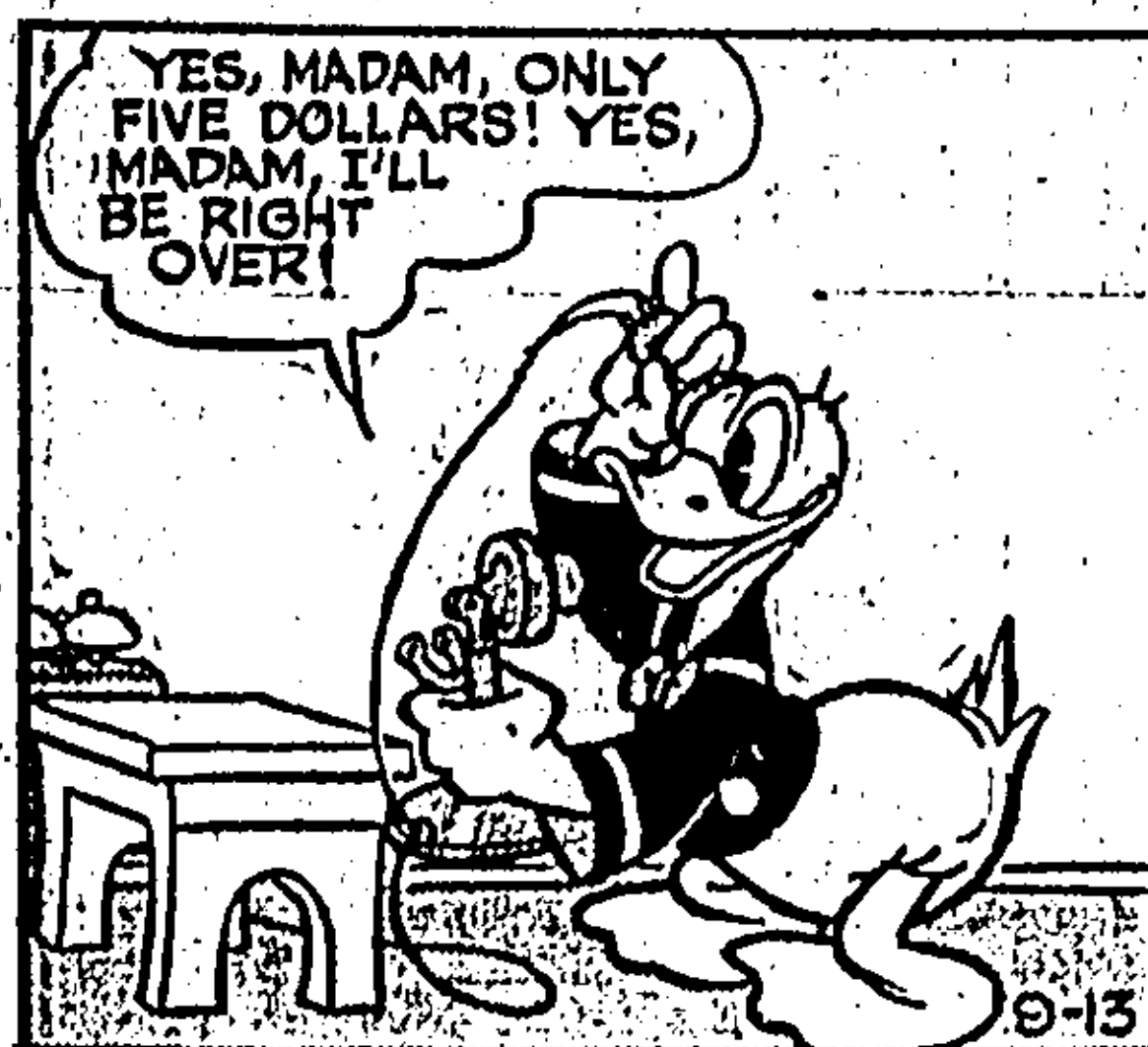
## HOME GUARD

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## MAGAZINE PAGE

DESTROYER  
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QUESTION — ANSWER

United Press

Questions and answers clarifying various aspects of the British American trade of naval base leases for destroyers.

**Q.** How many destroyers and how many naval and air base sites are involved in the transaction? **A.**—The United States is giving Great Britain 50 World War destroyers in return for 99 year leases on sites for bases in strategic places in six British possessions in the Caribbean area. Britain has thrown in two other sites—in Newfoundland and Bermuda—free of charge. The leases expire in the year 2039.

**Q.** How will the destroyers be turned over to the British? **A.**—They will be sailed by their American crews to Canada where they will be boarded by British seamen for the journey to Britain. American crews are not permitted to go into European danger zones.

**Q.** What are the destroyers worth? **A.**—The vessels are 1,200-tonners and cost about £400,000 each 20 years ago. They have been recommissioned in the past year at an average cost of about £2,000 (7). New destroyers being built by the navy to-day are of about 1,600 tons and cost from two to three times as much.

**Q.** Where are the new bases to be located and when? **A.**—From the south shore of Newfoundland to coast of British Guiana in northern South America. Intermediate bases will be set up at Bermuda, the Bahamas, Jamaica, St. Lucia, Trinidad and Antigua. The exact sites will be selected by a joint Anglo-British board of naval and army experts. The American delegation has left for Bermuda.

**Q.** Will the United States incur any expenses in taking over the sites? **A.**—Yes. Adequate naval and air facilities must be established and the United States, in addition, must pay the proper parties for any private property which is taken over to create the bases. No estimates of cost are available yet, but there are sufficient funds on hand to get the work started when the preliminaries are complete.

**Q.** Will the United States have absolute control over the leased areas? **A.**—Yes. For the 99-year period of the lease, British sources in London said that British ships and planes might share the facilities whenever necessary or possible. But President Roosevelt indicated that such an arrangement would depend upon the attitude of this country at a given time.

**Q.** Why were the British anxious to effect the trans-

actions? **A.**—Germany's aerial warfare, and more limited sea fighting, against Britain has taken a heavy toll of British destroyers. An often deadly enemy of the submarine, the destroyer nevertheless is extremely vulnerable to the depredations of the undersea craft and bombardment from the air.

**Q.** What is the vital interest of the United States in the agreement? **A.**—The procurement of defence locations in the Caribbean area, key-stone of defence of the Panama Canal. The Canal has been called the jugular vein of American defences, for it offers a short, quick route for transfer of the fleet from the Atlantic to the Pacific, or vice versa. The Newfoundland base would be essential to preventing any aggressor from getting a foothold in Canada.

**Q.** How far will the bases project America's defence lines? **A.**—Approximately 500 to 1,000 miles out into the Atlantic.

**Q.** Are funds available to start construction of the bases? **A.**—Congressional defence committeemen say so. Mr. Roosevelt was given \$10,000,000 for establishment of auxiliary air bases, and in addition Congress gave him a \$20,000,000 (M) blank check for defence.

**Q.** Does Congress have to ratify the agreement? **A.**—According to an opinion by Attorney General Robert H. Jackson, it does not. The agreement, Jackson ruled, is not in the nature of a treaty requiring Senate ratification.

**Q.** Did Mr. Roosevelt violate any laws in his historical "deal"? **A.**—He proceeded in conformance with Jackson's construction of the law. Isolationists denounced the President's action as an act of war, a violation of law, and an usurpation of Congressional powers over treaties.

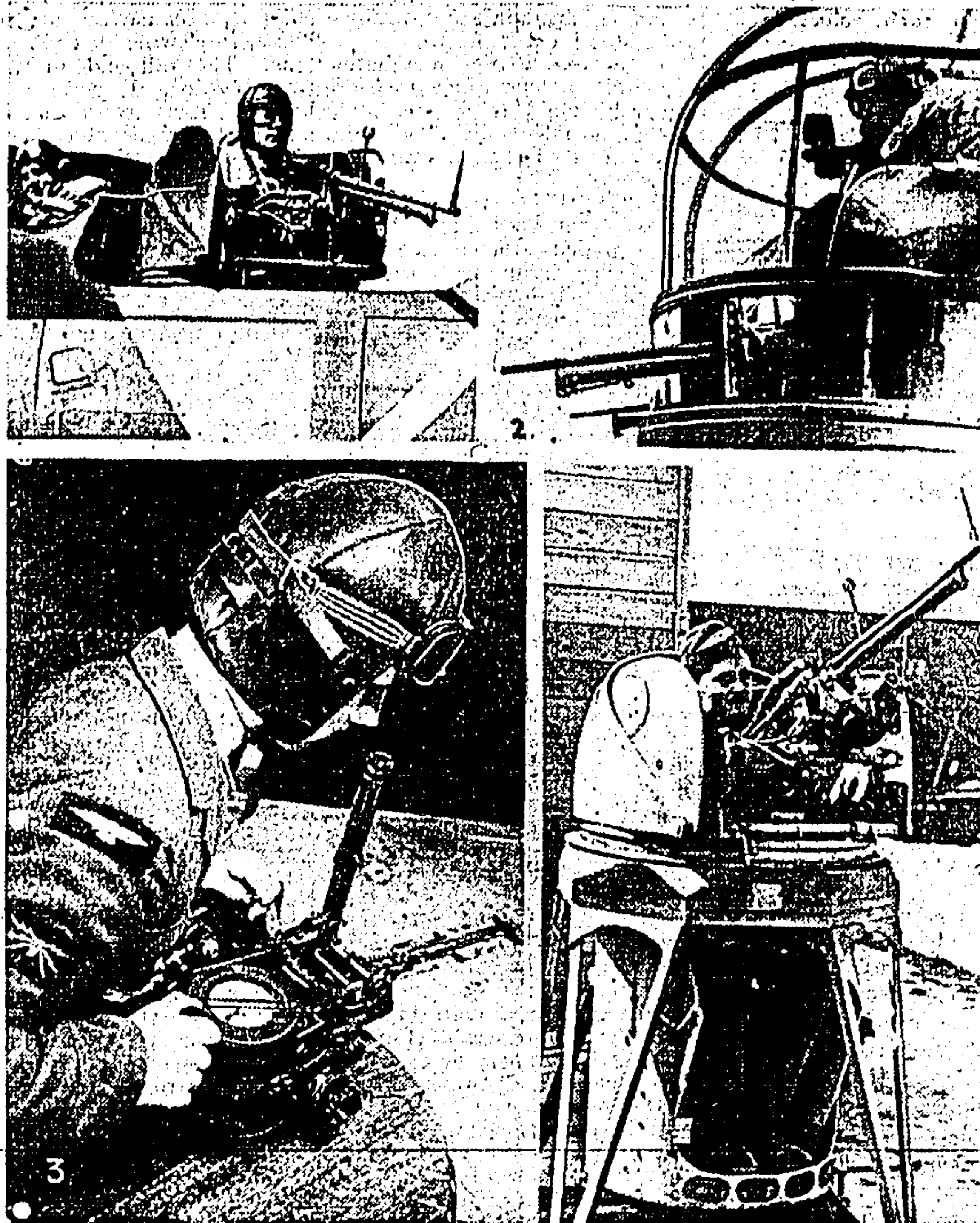
**Q.** How many destroyers does this leave in the U.S. Navy? **A.**—It leaves 161, of which 60 are the overage class, similar to those traded to Britain. Besides the 151 remaining destroyers, the navy is now building 57.

Baby Christened  
In A Warship

His gas-helmet went too

A four-weeks-old baby boy—the son of Lieut.-Commander H. C. R. Alexander, R.N.—was christened Anthony Colin Beverley aboard a cruiser at an east coast naval base. The ceremony was performed by the chaplain of the naval base.

The baby was brought to the base complete with identification card, ration book and special baby's helmet.



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3. Instructional bomb sight. A pupil in the School using a bomb sight on the ground, later he uses it in the air.
4. A pupil getting thoroughly acquainted with a power operated turret. There are several of these turrets about the station into which the pupils can jump and spend their spare time.

## WHEN THE SIREN SOUNDS

IT is surprising how people who have been through precisely similar ordeals recently in areas which have been visited by Nazi bombers react to the strain in totally different ways.

Most of our people display that measure of contempt for all the enemy does or can do, which is typical of British character generally when faced with trials. But it is not how you act during a raid only which matters. The effect of losing sleep for several nights on end, or of living in a constant state of apprehension, weighs down many people who, in the actual moment of danger, are perfectly calm and courageous.

Obviously since in these times we may be deprived of our sleep for part of the time when we generally rest, we need to make the most of the hours of sleep which are permitted us. Well, to do that we must aim at dropping off to peaceful slumber as soon as we turn in—or, if there has been a raid, immediately we can return to bed. How can that be managed?

## Sleep Is Vital

First, raids or no raids, try always to turn in at the same hour. Sleep is a habit; if we did not have to organise our lives so as to fit them into working hours, we should all probably possess the sleeping habits of animals.

Yes, sleep is a habit; and it is vital, if you want to keep fit and

This is an article a well-known doctor wrote for the people of Britain. It gives a number of hints for the preservation of health in time of strain.

well in these days, to acquire a sound sleep habit.

If when you go to bed your mind is full of worry as to whether you'll be able to wake in the morning, should your night have been disturbed by a raid warning, cut that all out immediately. How? Simply by buying an alarm clock!

And if there is a warning don't spend the time in your dug-out or refuge room munching chocolate or drinking tea for that will tend to rob you of the rest you might otherwise get when "All-clear" paves the path back to bed.

Bombs dropping make an unpleasant sound, as most of us have learned. They are apt to make the stomach "turn over." A glass of water in the shelter is a help, for a sip or two will often help to make the stomach feel more normal.

By the bedside, too, it is a good plan to keep a glass of milk. In the night you may wake with that unpleasant "sinking" feeling, especially in these troubled times when apprehension adds such ill, and a sip of milk will help much. A sip, mark you, not a drink! Sipping warm milk on retiring after a raid is better from the

sleep point of view than drinking tea.

Too much smoking does not help, though in periods of strain most of us probably tend to "strengthen the nerves" with extra cigarettes. Sleep is likely to suffer.

If you have to miss a good deal of sleep owing to the enemy's encroachments on slumber-times, don't worry yourself unduly and feel sure that you will fall seriously ill. Try to get good, sound sleep for a full eight hours or so as soon as you can, and that is about all you can do to remedy matters, for contrary to a rather common impression you can't "catch up on sleep."

## Have Something To Do

There are still some people who fail to realise how useful it is for everybody in a home to have some task or other to perform when the sirens start their weird wailing sounds.

If your agreed job is to carry a chair into the shelter, small though the task is, it helps you to have something to think about. If sleep is impossible in your dug-out, try to keep up a pleasant conversation. I remember, once being under extremely heavy bombing, plus shell-fire, during the last war, and almost forgetting it all as I listened to a comrade's highly amusing account of similar experiences. We can't all be first-rate conversationalists as that padre certainly was; but a general talk on sport or anything which is likely to grip the interest of all present is a splendid help.

## Crossword Puzzle

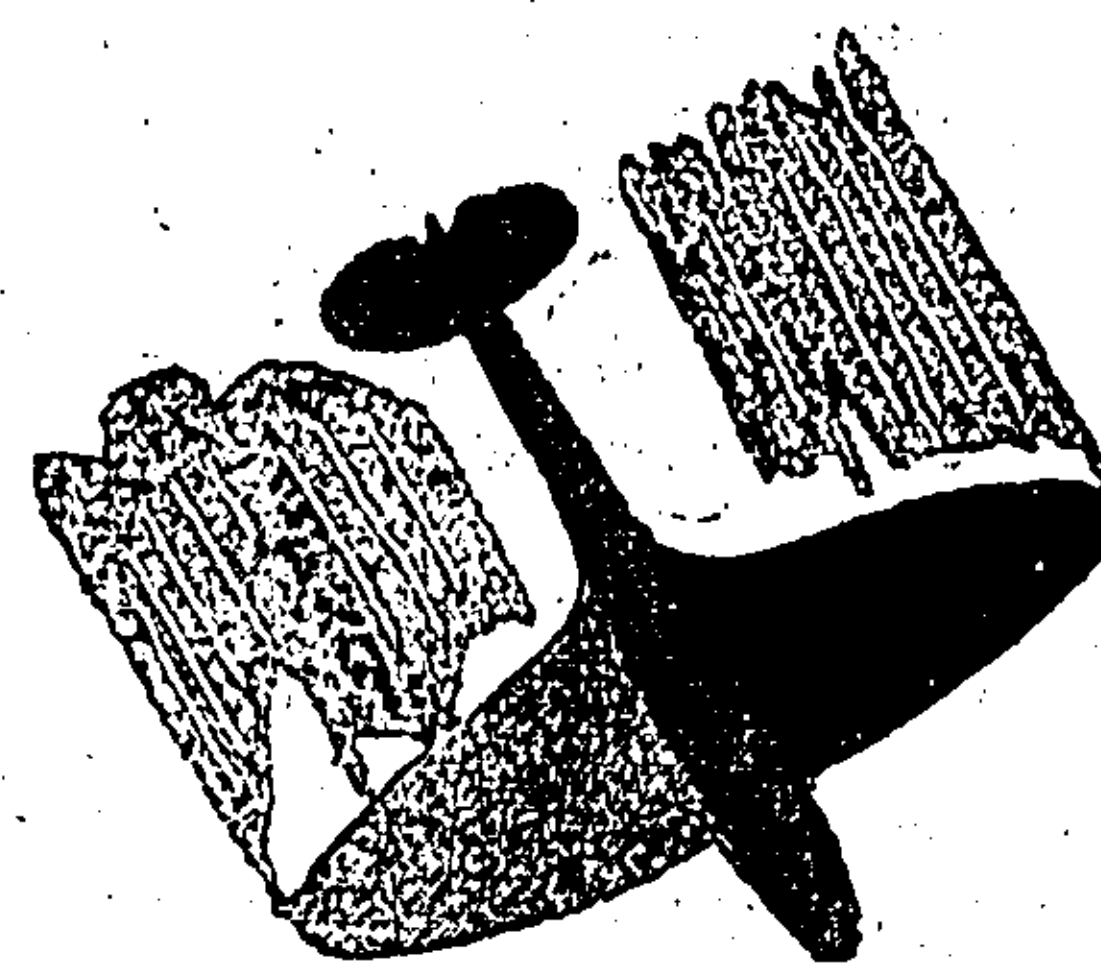
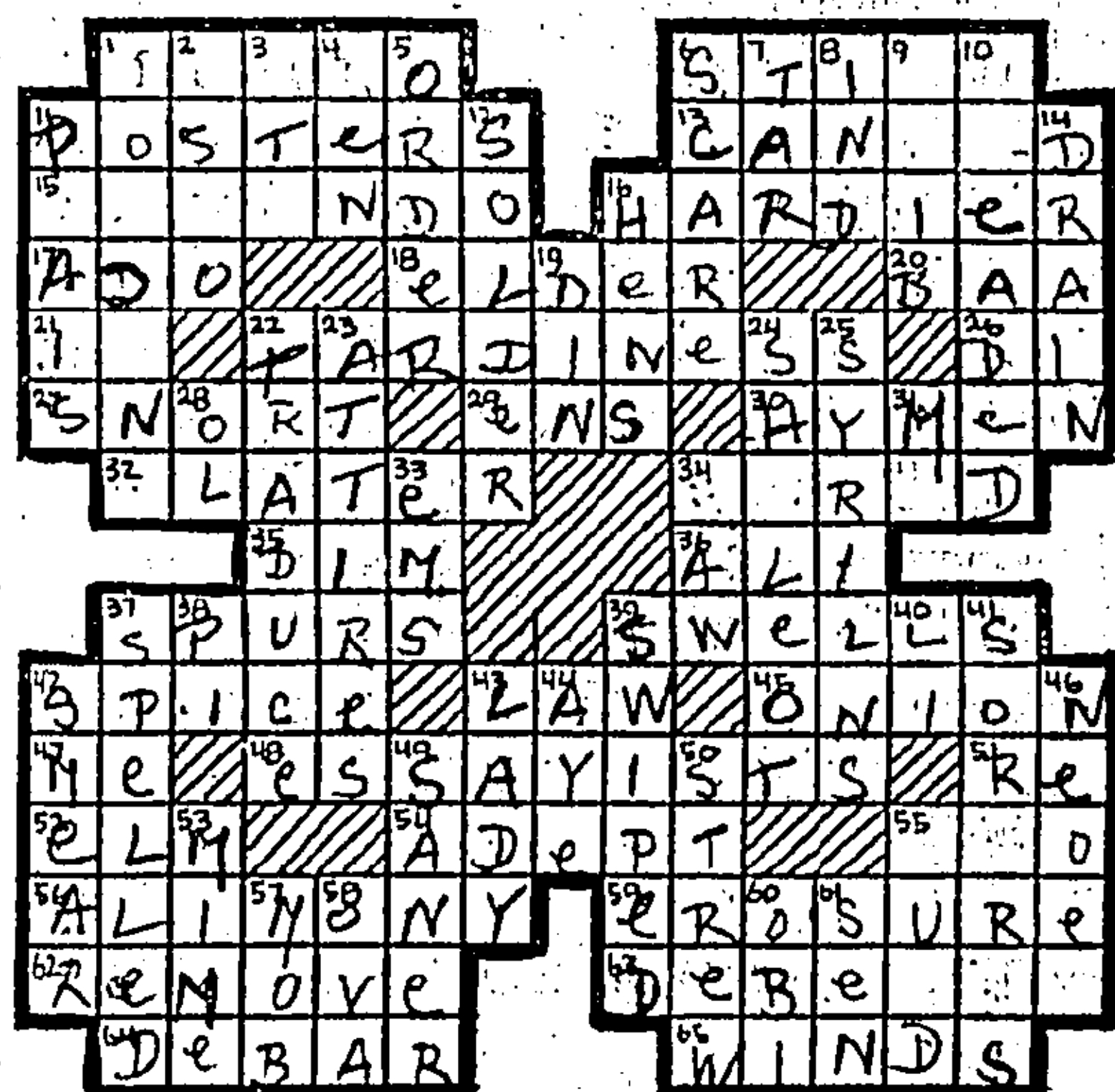
By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

- 1—High military hat
- 2—Fixed amount of work
- 3—Those who post
- 4—Hoax
- 5—Latin man's name
- 6—More sturdy
- 7—Older
- 8—Sheep's cry
- 9—Nickel
- 10—Sharp in A
- 11—Nasal sound
- 12—Actual being
- 13—God of marriage
- 14—Click beetle
- 15—Noisy and spirit
- 16—Lustreless
- 17—Latin name
- 18—Indicia to action
- 19—Disturbance of water
- 20—Conditment
- 21—Real code
- 22—Vegetable
- 23—David
- 24—Easy writers
- 25—Concerning
- 26—Large tree
- 27—Expert
- 28—Professional athlete (slang)
- 29—Divorce payment
- 30—Waiting staff
- 31—Take away

DOWN

- 1—Small fish
- 2—Italian port
- 3—Roman recess
- 4—Knowledge
- 5—Command
- 6—Fishes
- 7—Heavy liquid
- 8—India (poetic)
- 9—East Indian deputy
- 10—Attended
- 11—Sounds of gnat
- 12—Material for joining
- 13—Sewer pipe
- 14—Children
- 15—Noise
- 16—Dresses
- 17—Reaction
- 18—Near Eastern people
- 19—Sulfur: oil
- 20—Sharp in A
- 21—Printer's measure
- 22—Geometrical
- 23—Write correctly
- 24—Stole (slang)
- 25—Grating in D
- 26—Dreadful things
- 27—Jagged sloppily
- 28—Woman
- 29—Agreement
- 30—Sword
- 31—More sensible
- 32—Blindly
- 33—Mistake
- 34—Mistake
- 35—Crowd
- 36—Egg-calls
- 37—Jagged sloppily
- 38—Japanese coin

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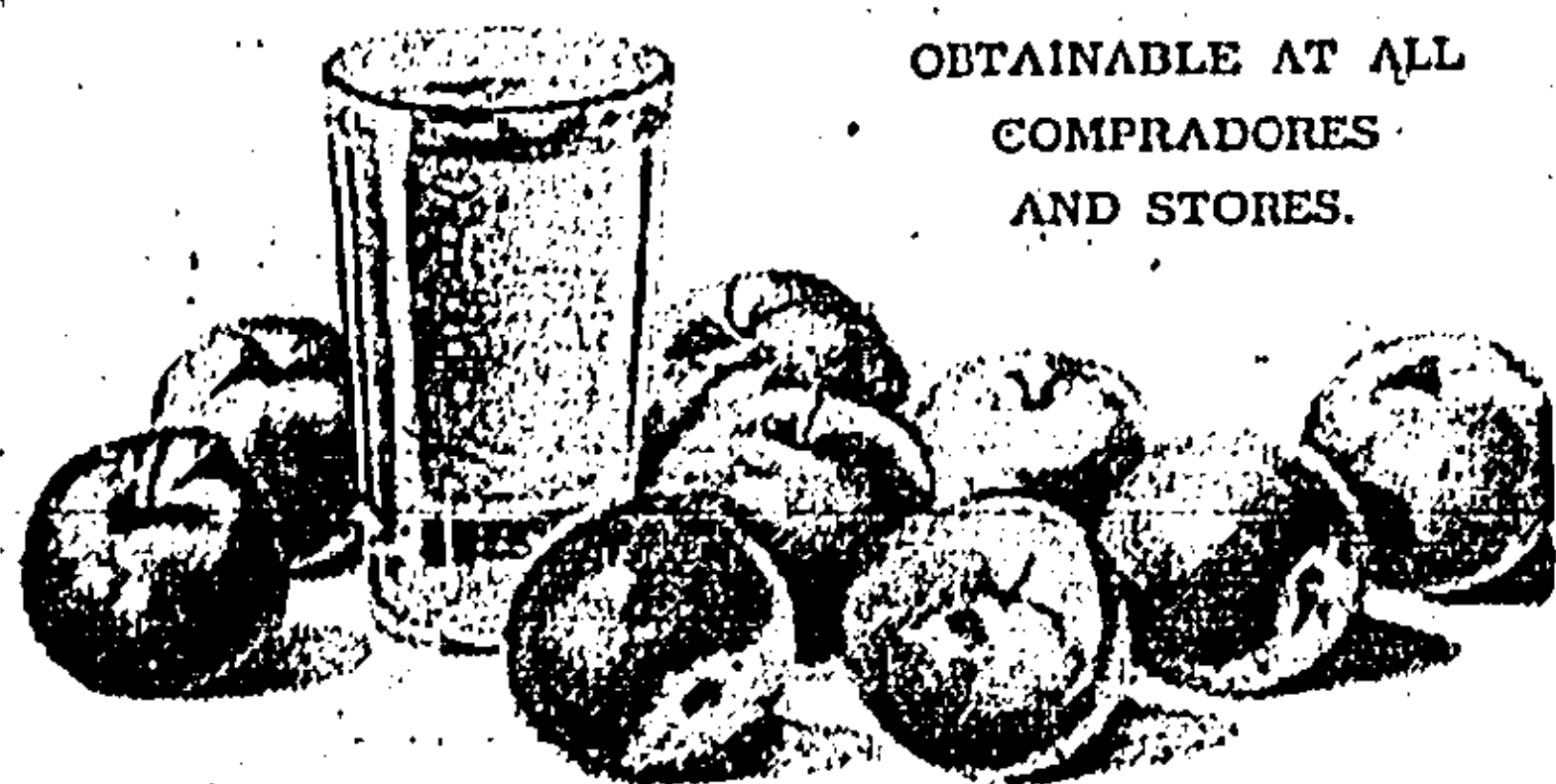
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### Champions of Civilization

IT is said that some animals  
can lose a leg without knowing  
it. Is civilization like that? Or  
is it awake to its peril? Listen-  
ing to accounts of the bombing  
of London one wonders. Other  
cities, other peoples have been  
subjected to this kind of crime  
—the Chinese, the Ethiopians,  
the Spaniards, Poles, Finns,  
Norwegians, Dutch, Belgians,  
and French. Ruthless aggres-  
sors have spared no treasure of  
person or possession. Now they  
unleash on one of the greatest  
capitals of civilization their  
boasted utmost of destruction.  
Will what remains of the civil-  
ized world be merely horrified or  
will it arouse itself to make sure  
that this shall not happen again,  
that the new barbarism shall be  
turned back for good?

All these peoples have been  
champions of civilization. Too  
often they have fought alone.  
To-day Britain fights alone.  
And this struggle over London  
is the complete symbol of the  
largely unseen struggle of civil-  
ization against barbarism to-day.  
Every pilot of the Royal Air  
Force, every bargee at the  
Thames docks, every humble  
householder in the East End is a  
champion of world culture and  
Christianity. After all the hair-  
splitting over the war's causes,  
all the totalitarian's twisted  
propaganda, all weighing of past  
mistakes, that is the simple fact.

Those who cherish the best  
the human spirit has known  
sense this situation. They are  
not like the animal which can  
lose a leg without knowing it.  
And they must give thanks daily  
for the kind of champions that  
now defend civilization. The  
spirit of the British people  
against odds which no one dared  
count is beyond praise. Its  
magnificent courage has been  
truly voiced by Mr. Winston  
Churchill, its spiritual strength  
by Lord Halifax. And its  
heroic self-sacrifice by the little  
home-owner near a vital airport  
who surveyed the ruins of his  
house and said: "When they hit  
us they miss the aerodrome."

But one of the most confident  
tributes to the British people's

## BRITISH CONVOY

By Brydon Taves  
United Press Special Correspondent

Aboard a British destroyer, in the North At-  
lantic, September 3, (UP).—Germany is shooting  
the works to make good its threat of total bloc-  
cade of the British Isles but after eight days  
aboard a little British flotilla leader I can say that  
hundreds of ships are entering and leaving British  
ports each week.

German submarine and air  
attacks marked my voyage. Not  
one day passed without action.  
The British crew was either  
manning gun and depth charge  
stations to fight off a U-boat or  
manning anti-aircraft stations to  
fight attacking planes.

I saw one British merchant-  
man take a long range torpedo  
squarely amid ships and sink  
within a half hour. The next  
day our destroyer evened the  
score.

A "Tin Fish," meant for us,  
missed by a scant thirty feet as  
we whipped around it. Then we  
rocked from the concussion  
of our own depth charges and  
I saw an oil patch spread slowly  
over the surface, marking  
that U-boat's end.

The destroyer was engaged in  
a typical convoy job, and its  
duties were something between  
those of a conscientious sheep  
dog and a sister of charity lead-  
ing a bunch of orphans across  
Times Square.

We were one destroyer and  
one smaller warship escorting a  
thirty ship convoy spread over  
fifteen square miles of ocean.  
Watching the line of hulls  
stretching out behind us, I re-  
membered what a naval officer  
in a convoy control room in a  
West Coast port told me, just  
before I sailed.

"Give me fifty over-age  
American destroyers," he said,  
"and I will guarantee to cut our  
shipping losses by considerably  
more than 50 per cent."

Our destroyer was more than  
twenty years old but she could  
do thirty knots without strain-  
ing and could turn around on  
a dime. Her captain told me  
proudly that he could stop her  
dead within her own length  
when moving at twelve knots.

Our operation orders were to  
take an outwardbound convoy to  
a point near mid-Atlantic, out  
of range of subs, and then pick  
up an incoming convoy and  
shepherd it through the danger

area to coastal waters, where it  
would be divided, the ships pro-  
ceeding to various ports.

On the fifth day, after we  
had picked up the big inward  
bound convoy of almost fifty  
ships, a submarine appeared.  
We were plowing through heavy  
seas. The tail end of a gale  
was blowing. I was on the  
bridge. There was a dull boom  
among the ships stretched be-  
hind us and a column of smoke  
rose from the side of the lead-  
ing ship on the port string of  
freighters about a half mile  
away.

The destroyer lurched so  
quickly as it wheeled around  
that in a moment our bows were  
scooping up mountains of sea,  
hurling them back high over the  
bridge and into the yard arms  
in geysers of spray and foam.

The torpedo was fired from a  
safe distance of as much as five  
miles into the middle of the con-  
voy. Such long range shots,  
which U-boat captains are said  
to favour increasingly, are hit  
or miss. They generally have  
less effect when they hit and  
this is why many ships lately hit  
by torpedoes have been dam-  
aged but not sunk.

This shot was lucky. It  
struck a 4,000-ton freighter  
squarely abeam. Our captain  
signalled a sloop that had joined  
us that morning to help track  
down the U-boat, while the  
smaller warship nicknamed  
was sent to pick up survivors.

In the gathering darkness our  
search was virtually hopeless.  
We were drenched to the skin  
when we gave up and rejoined  
the convoy. Our detectors had  
not picked up a trace of the  
U-boat. We found twenty-six  
survivors from the freighter,  
but five were missing and pre-  
sumed killed by the torpedo ex-  
plosion.

The next day a U-boat paid  
for the lucky shot. It was  
slightly calmer. We had just



finished lunch. The call came:  
"Man the depth charge sta-  
tions!" We raced up the steps  
to the deck.

"Heart Disease" had just  
signalled a torpedo track that  
passed twenty feet behind her  
stern. It came from the oppo-  
site side of the convoy and the  
torpedo must have passed  
through the column of ships  
without scraping one.

The commodore of the convoy  
signalled an emergency turn  
and the whole convoy veered in  
unison to starboard and plodded  
on. We swung into a "sweep"  
at twenty-five knots and raced  
beyond the inverted convoy.  
After twenty minutes I began  
to think that "Heart Disease"  
merely had had jitters. Sud-  
denly a blue and yellow "attack"  
signal ran up her yard and she  
loosed a depth charge. We  
picked up the U-boat ourselves a  
few minutes later, wallowed for  
a moment as the captain took  
his detector bearings, and then  
lunged to attack.

We fired depth charges. Some  
one on the bridge shouted. A  
line of bubbles and spray moved  
across the port bow, about  
thirty feet from us. It was a  
torpedo, but it appeared to be  
spent.

A big Sunderland flying boat  
appeared overhead. Our signal  
lamp flashed "U-boat some-  
where around here" and like a  
big bird the Sunderland banked  
and began skimming the water  
ahead of us. A smoke flame  
dropped from her wing and she  
circled back to it. I saw a  
bomb leave her racks and ex-

plode dully beneath the surface.  
The Sunderland came back,  
dived low, let go three bombs  
that hit in quick succession and  
sent great spouts into the air.

Our detectors picked up a  
U-boat moving slowly away  
from us. It was very close.

The captain sent the des-  
troyer full speed ahead and  
great walls of water circled  
around the bows and lashed  
our faces as we clung to the  
rocking bridge.

"Stand by, depth charges!"  
"Fire one!"  
"Fire two!"  
"Fire three!"

Three big tins hurtled from  
the stern. There was a mo-  
ment's silence after they  
splashed. Then the whole sur-  
face of the water seemed to  
shiver and the ship rocked  
crazily. The air around us  
shimmered as on a hot summer  
day. The charges went deep  
and there were no geysers on  
the surface.

There was a new patch of oil,  
spreading and bubbling. Our  
detectors heard nothing more.

The Sunderland signalled:  
"What do you think?"

Our captain answered: "I  
think he's dead. I can find no  
trace of him now."

The Sunderland hovered  
around the convoy the rest of  
the day.

Signal lamps blinked between  
the flying boat and the surface  
boat saying:

"Good bye."  
"God bless you."  
"You too."

And the flying boat disap-  
peared into the dusk, in the  
direction of England.

## THE GLASS AGE HAS ARRIVED...

AIR raids are making work  
for glass manufacturers  
and inspiring intensified re-  
search to discover a new, cheap,  
unbreakable window glass.

The first safety glass was dis-  
covered by accident. A French  
chemist dropped a bottle and  
was surprised to find that  
its fragments held together  
through a celluloid film from an  
evaporated mixture of chemicals  
which the bottle had contained.

Now there is a glass so strong  
that it will bend long before  
breaking point. It is made of  
two sheets of glass with a space  
between filled with specially  
treated glass. Even when the  
outer sheath breaks, the filling  
runs away like sand.

Glass has uncertain habits.  
It can become ill. It can be  
frightened to death. The mala-  
dies of sick glass are known to  
every expert collector of fine  
pieces. The housewife knows  
how glass that has been boxed  
up for years will lose its lustre.  
The connoisseur knows of  
glass-sickness which hair-cracks  
the entire surface of a vessel.

staying power comes from the  
writings of an American:

Let who will fall, England will not.  
These people have sat here a thousand  
years, and here will continue to sit.  
They will not break up or arrive at  
any desperate revolution, like their  
neighbours, for they have as much  
continence of character, as they ever  
had.

Emerson wrote that a hundred  
years ago. It is true to-day.  
And all who give thanks for  
those who stand so stanchly in  
the front line can find means of  
making their gratitude effective.

Glasses dim and grow wet and  
die. In other words, they break  
to pieces, and many wonderful  
examples have been lost to the  
world in this fashion.

Glass cookery utensils, even  
frying-pans, long since became  
familiar. To-day the origina-  
tors of heat-resistant glass have  
produced a "shrunk glass" capa-  
ble of standing up to a tempera-  
ture change of 3,000 degs. One  
of its oddities is that, after its  
first fashioning, it has to go  
into the oven again and be  
shrunk, hence the name.

Another new kind of fireproof  
can be twisted, pierced with  
nails, even planed like wood.  
Armour-plate glass has been  
evolved from sand, soda, and  
lime. It withstands the shock  
of heavy gunfire and refuses to  
splinter.

When smashed the fragments  
remain together, making the  
glass gas-proof. Among its  
domestic uses is a glass oven  
door to enable the cook to know  
what is happening inside the  
oven.

Then there is one-way glass—  
millions of tiny crystals so ar-  
ranged to comb out the light  
that you can see out, but cannot  
see in. It is useful in hotels  
and blocks of offices where  
dozens of windows face a com-  
mon courtyard.

To save metal, we shall soon  
be using glass door bolts, and  
to save wood, glass rolling-pins.  
Glass cloth and finely-spun  
glass-silk, impervious to the  
troubles of ordinary fabrics,

### FUNNY SIDE UP

By Abner Dean



"I can't confide in nobody to-day... it says so in my  
horoscope!"

are coming into demand. I wool, and furniture are emerg-  
have worn a glass shirt im-  
ing. I have seen a man playing on  
a glass fiddle. I have heard a  
German. It was indistinguish-  
able from any other shirt ex-  
cept that it did not get dirty so  
quickly.

Nowadays, you can live in  
a glass house, without black-out  
troubles. Glass bricks can be  
obtained in black or light proof  
can afford to throw stones with  
glass. Glass "paper," thread, impunity.



## Chinese Education In The War

Chinese Education in the War, by Hubert Freyn, published by Kelly & Walsh.

The China that was born with the Revolution of 1912 in a nation whose movements are epic not only because of the physical vastness of things Chinese, but because of the elemental heroism of the people's struggle to emerge together through the curtain of centuries of the purely Oriental way of living to the practical things which the twentieth century has thrust before them.

One of the things China is learning to do is to defend herself; another, the subject of Mr. Freyn's book, is to teach her children.

It is a glorious tribute to the soundness of the foundation of the New China (not the Japanese concept), that education is still one of the main objects for which she strives while battling back the invader from her innermost fastnesses. The story of that struggle is worthy to take its place among the annals of the world. Universities crushed to the ground, brutally outraged and scattered to the winds with deliberate wantonness have been set up again in primitive form far in the interior. Scholars and their students have unquestioningly picked up their few text books and travelled thousands of miles—literally thousands of miles with the most inadequate forms of transport—to hear the word of culture. China has refused to let the Sino-Japanese war brutalise her. She looks ahead to the end of wars.

It is a pity that this particular subject should be published in such a cheap form as "Chinese Education in the War." Though its cheapness (it is a paper bound volume) will make it available to many, the subject is worthy of more ambitious treatment and should be a book that one would be proud to have in one's library.—G.

## Britain May Accept Russia's Conquests

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the war still stands," official quarters told "United Press."

Some observers think this comment is misleading because they recall that Mr. Churchill's declaration condemned the forced cession of Transylvania to Hungary, but that he significantly omitted to mention Bessarabia. That omission is widely considered here to be leaving the door open for recognising Russia's recovery of Bessarabia.

If Britain were reconciled to Bessarabia's fate their acquiescence to the return of the Baltic States to Russia might be more possible.

**Change in U.S. Attitude?**

Foreign diplomats here say they heard several weeks ago that the British Foreign Office showed an inclination to recognise Russia's acquisition of the Baltic States, but at that time the inclination was scarcely discouraged by Washington.

To-day, rumours have led some observers to wonder whether Mr. Sumner Welles' recent talks with the Soviet Minister to Washington and the United States Ambassador's contacts in Moscow might have tempted Washington to satisfy Moscow regarding the Baltic in order to forestall too close an understanding between Russia and Japan.

## GERMAN PLANES THWARTED

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occasions during the morning and afternoon bound for London and the Thames Estuary.

Some succeeded in reaching London and bombs were dropped on London, Kent and Essex but none reported from elsewhere.

Five attempts in all were made to reach London from the Thames Estuary but British interceptors were there each time and, after the A.A. batteries had given the raiders some salutes three force dogfights took place over two towns.

Two of the enemy fighters three times attacked the balloon barrage at Dover harbour but were driven off by anti-aircraft guns without shooting down a single balloon.

## Faithful Turkey; A Comparison

ISTANBUL, Oct. 20 (Reuters).—A unanimous expression of faith in Mr. Eden's mission to the Middle East and in an intensification of action by Great Britain against the Axis Powers, is contained in the Turkish press to-day.

The newspaper "Tan" comments: "Hitler's ambitions envisage a string of conquests such as were obtained by Alexander the Great and it is perhaps in the Middle East that Alexander the Great's terrible fate awaits him."

## Premier To Speak

LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuters).—The Premier will broadcast to the French nation to-morrow at 7.35 p.m.G.M.T., speaking first in English, then in French.

## IMPOST ON LUXURY GOODS FOR WAR FUNDS

# THESE ARE GOODS ON WHICH U.K. WILL PAY PURCHASE TAX

FULL DETAILS OF THE WIDE RANGE OF ARTICLES AFFECTED BY SIR KINGSLEY WOOD'S NEW PURCHASE TAX, ARE GIVEN IN THE FINANCE BILL.

Luxury goods in the first of the two categories are taxed at a third of the wholesale value, and non-luxuries, in the second category, at a sixth of the wholesale value.

In the first class are such goods as clothing or footwear made from fur skin or silk; furniture; musical instruments and wireless sets; clocks and watches; perfumery and toilet articles.

The second category includes clothing, boots and shoes.

Food, coal, petrol, drink, gas and electricity are exempt from tax.

Also exempt are clothes or footwear for young children, miners' protective boots and helmets, miners' safety lamps, various medical appliances and exceptionally costly drugs.

### Crockery Cost

The housewife will find that China, porcelain and glassware will pay the full rate except those articles for table or kitchen use, which are taxed at the half rate.

Cutlery and spoons and forks, too, pay the full rate.

So do hardware and ironmongery, but here hollow ware for domestic use is charged at the half rate.

The lower rate will be levied on brooms and brushes, but cleaning materials, polishing paste and such household necessities are exempt from tax.

Cups, saucers and plates pay the half rate if made of earthenware, but the full rate if of China or porcelain.

Domestic cooking and heating appliances, and electric bulbs (not over 250 watts) and hair waving and drying machines are charged at the full rate.

### Dearer Pipes

Smokers are affected by the full rate tax on such things as pipes and ash trays, but matches and mechanical lighters are not included.

The children's toys and games pay the higher rate.

So do gramophones and cameras. But cinematograph cameras for standard width film, X-ray cameras and other cameras for industrial, scientific or military use, are exempt from tax.

Other luxuries on which the higher rate will be payable are trunks, bags, jewellery, fancy goods, headgear, gloves and haberdashery.

Both domestic and office furniture pay the full rate.

This applies also to typewriters, dictaphones, calculating machines, pencils, pens and fountain pens and ink.

Diaries, calendars and stationery are taxed at the full rate, but account books and plain books are at one-sixth.

The full rate applies to road vehicles and cycles, but exemption is made for trams, buses, charabancs, ambulances, fire engines, invalid carriages and perambulators.

Books and gramophone records for the blind are also exempt.

Payment of the tax will be made when the goods are sold by the wholesaler to the retailer, and it will not fall on exports.

For this purpose manufacturers and wholesalers will be registered.

The tax is estimated to produce £110,000,000 in a full year.

## Political Alignment With Axis Is Denied

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raid precautions. Posters appeared in the capital announcing that from midnight to-night all lights must be concealed and that during the following days there will be an air raid alarm during which the public must take refuge in shelters.

Similar exercises will take place throughout Rumania, especially in the oil regions.

20,000 German children are expected to arrive in Rumania as refugees from Germany; they will be lodged with German families.

### Under Pressure

LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuters).—Under extreme German pressure yesterday, the Yugo-Slavian Government signed a protocol to the German-Yugo-Slavian trade agreement under which, in return for vague Nazi promises, Yugo-Slavia seems to become economically and diplomatically dependant on the Reich.

A clause providing for preferential treatment of Yugo-Slavia by Germany is abolished and the Germans merely promise the fullest consideration of price-fixing.

After the protocol was signed the Yugo-Slavian Foreign Minister said that nothing now stands in the way of intensified political collaboration between the two countries. This, he added, suits the interests of both parties.

**SUNER HAS TALK WITH HIMMLER**

LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuters).—Senior Serrano Suner, Spain's new Foreign Minister, had a talk with Herr Himmler, Chief of the German Secret Police, who arrived in Madrid to-day.

Suner accompanied the German to the World Palace where he was received by General Franco who, according to the Lyons Radio, had a conversation lasting an hour with him.

## Hundreds Of U.S. Planes For Britain

LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuters).—American aircraft are now reaching England in hundreds and the number will steadily increase next year, said Lord Latham, in a short speech immediately on landing in England from America via Lisbon.

American rearmament was rapidly getting into its stride, he said, and American opinion now realised the necessity of backing up Great Britain.

A tremendous impression has been created in the United States by the way the public is taking the London raids.

Lord Latham expects to remain in England about three weeks. He will have a few days holiday in Scotland before returning to London for consultations with the Government.

### Production Speed-Up

LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuters).—The United States army has asked American aeroplane factories to do 24 hour shifts, said Lord Latham in an interview shortly after his arrival in England.

The British envoy to America added: "I think the factories are doing it."

## Mr. Eden In Jerusalem

JERUSALEM, Oct. 20 (Reuters).—Mr. Anthony Eden, Secretary of State for War, arrived at Jerusalem on Thursday, according to an official announcement issued to-night.

He was accompanied by General Sir Archibald Wavell, Commander-in-Chief in the Middle East.

Mr. Eden inspected many units of the garrison while in Palestine.

A detachment of the Arab Legion formed a Guard of Honour when Mr. Eden visited Amman on Friday and was received by Emir Abdullah of Trans-Jordan.

Later Mr. Eden saw a desert patrol of the Arab Legion and a unit of the Trans-Jordan Frontier Force.

## AUSSIE PILOTS READY SOON

LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuters).—"Highly-trained Australian pilots, observers, wireless operators and air gunners will be in the thick of the fight early next year," the Australian Air Minister stated, according to the Sydney radio.

The Minister also said that further results of the Air Scheme would be in evidence next month when numbers of pilots would have completed their course.

Stating that the scheme would involve an expenditure of nearly £55,000,000 within the next two years, the Minister added that the monthly quota of pilots, observers and other personnel was being speeded up.

## R.A.F. Hammer At Italian Bases

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no casualties either in the raid on Saudi Arabia or Bahrain.

It Duce had given an undertaking not to bomb Moslem territory during the feast of Ramadan and has thus broken his promise as well as violating neutral territory.

It is known that the objective of the Italian attack was the important oil wells in the Persian Gulf region, both on the Bahrain Island and the mainland opposite.

It is known that neither Bahrain nor Saudi Arabia has any defences against air attack.

## Col. Knox Appeals To Servicemen

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20 (Reuters).—Colonel Knox, Secretary for the Navy, in a special Navy Day message urges servicemen to keep the United States Navy strong, efficient and ready "in this serious time in the nation's history."

The outspoken aim of the recent tripartite pact, he added, was application of pressure on all belligerents not at war, including the United States.

## U.S. Embassy Still In London

LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuters).—The Berlin radio report that the American Embassy in London has moved to another city is denied here by an official who said: "We are still doing business at the old stand."

## Holland Is Still In The Battle Line

Even among Dutchmen in London the false impression prevails that for the time being Holland's share in actual warfare is only nominal. This is not the case.

Though the main part of the Dutch Navy is stationed in the Far East for the protection of the Dutch Indies, a number of Dutch cruisers, destroyers, submarines, and smaller craft are continually sharing the work of the British Navy in European waters.

The Dutch Air Force lost all its planes (of which there were some 400, apart from the excellent Flying Corps in the Dutch Indies) during the "Battle of Holland," but Dutch airmen are in this country now, where they man British machines of the Coastal Command, regularly taking part in raids, especially over Norway.

A number of machines of the K.L.M., with full crews and ground personnel, are stationed here and have been fitted for military duty.

The formation of a Dutch Legion is therefore by no means the only, or even the most important contribution on the part of Holland to the Allied fighting forces, although it has had most of the publicity. A Dutch military mission will shortly leave for the United States, and possibly Canada, where orders will be placed for war materials, probably including war planes.

**Radio Station Moved.**

LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuters).—In future broadcasts from Germany will no longer broadcast from Bremen but from Breslau some 350 miles further inland almost on the Polish frontier.

The reason for this move is that Bremen is the favourite target of the R.A.F. and the radio station had to go off the air to avoid guiding the bombers.

**CONN'S EASY VICTORY**

New York, Oct. 19. Billy Conn scored an easy victory on points against Al McCoy in a ten-round non-title fight to-day. Conn weighed 172½ lbs. and McCoy 162½.—United Press.

Amongst the meetings already announced for Professor Winifred Cullis, C.M.E., that arranged to be held in the Cathedral Hall at 5.40 p.m. to-day is important. The meeting has been especially arranged to give the Nursing Service an opportunity of meeting Professor Cullis.

## Major Grose Scores 105 K.C.C. Just Fail To Snatch Win

In an all-day match between Kowloon Cricket Club and the Army yesterday, the home team needed seven runs to win with three wickets in hand when time intervened. Major Grose scored a century for the Army and three home players made good scores.

Army—236 for six, declared. (Major Grose 105, L/Cpl. Logan 44, Sgt. Webb 42, 2nd Lt. J. C. Pearce 10, F. Zimmerman 3-74, N. Baldwin 2-40).

K.C.C.—230 for seven (D. J. N. Anderson 80, N. A. E. Mackay 60, E. C. Fincher 58 not out; 2nd Lt. Pearce 2-35; Sgt. Denyer 3-63, Capt. Dewar 1-20).

### WIN FOR VOLUNTEERS

In an all-day match played at Pokfulam yesterday, No. 3 M.G. Company of Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps defeated the University by five wickets.

University—189 (N. Singh 70, K. Lo 35, F. Mahmood 24, G. S. Winch 3-35, R. T. Broadbridge 4-42).

No. 3 Company—160 for five (N. Broadbridge 94, E. Zimmerman 34, A. Hung 32; Mahmood 2-63, Singh 2-25).

## Shanghai Golf Captain Dies

Shanghai, Oct. 19. Mr. Alex Henderson, Captain of the Shanghai Golf Club, died suddenly to-day from heart failure, after taking part in the China Open Amateur Golf Championship in the morning.

A Scotsman, the late Mr. Henderson was 47 years of age and had been a resident of Shanghai for 20 years. He was a member of St. Andrew's Society and was the owner of the firm bearing his name. He is survived by his widow and daughter.—Reuter.

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued Saturday, says: The market remains steady with few transactions recorded.

**Buyers**  
H.K. Banks \$1,220.  
Union Ins. \$380.  
Providents \$4.45  
Lands \$30.25

Electricity (old) \$39.40  
Electricity (new) \$30  
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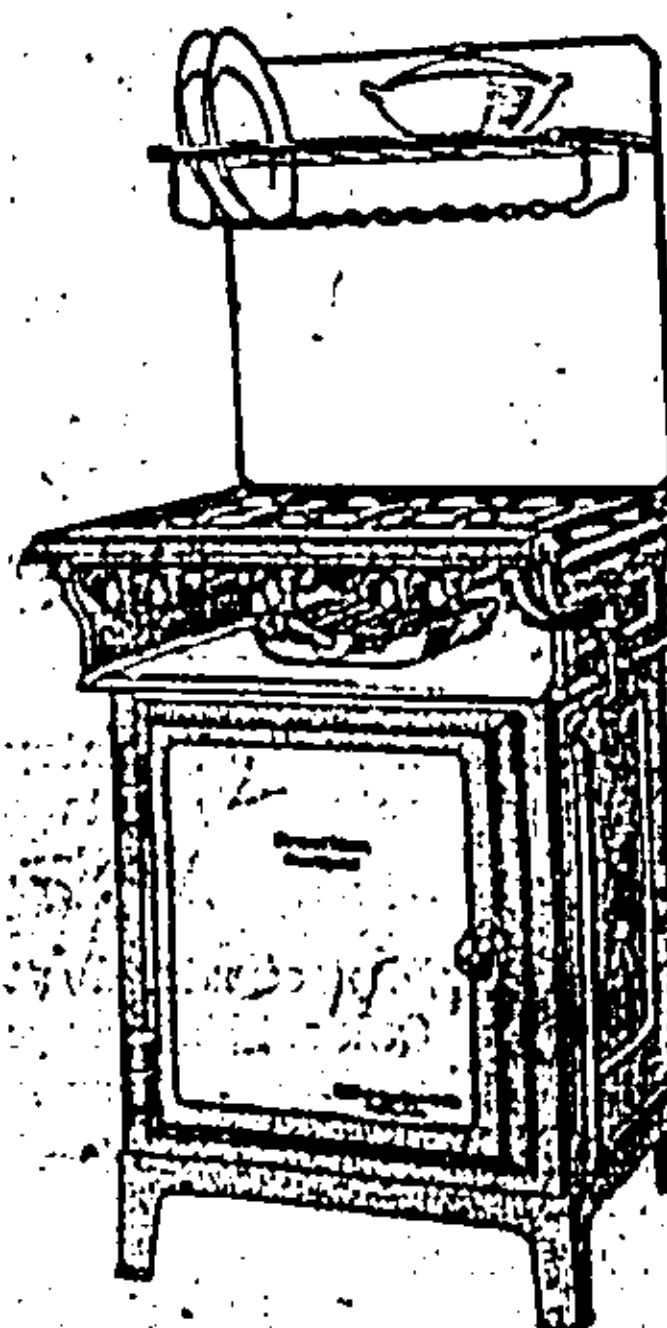
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## Soldiers Charged For Using Road

# Home Guards To Pay Toll Fine—2d. Each

MEMBERS of Penarth Home Guard are to march in procession to the local police station to pay—and protest against—a 10s. fine imposed on one of their section leaders who refused to pay a shilling toll for driving his car along the Cardiff-Penarth road on official duties.

So that a colleague should not go to jail, Home Guard will give two-pence each towards the fine, and pay it in small change after making their protest.

While the Home Guard were making this decision, Lord Plymouth, one of the owners of the road, who is also chairman of the Welsh Territorial Association, said "I did not know until to-day the case had been brought before the court. The management of the toll road is not in my hands. But I will go into the question of whether the Home Guard can use the road without paying a toll."

### Lord Butte's Interest

Chief interest in the toll road is held by Lord Butte, who recently sold his Cardiff to a syndicate. The chief of his legal department refused to comment on the case. He said: "The magistrates gave their decision. We shall say nothing more."

Mr. Morgan said: "My wife has persuaded me not to go to jail, but to allow the Home Guard protest instead."

A protest meeting is also to be held in Penarth where most residents, to avoid paying the tolls, use another route to Cardiff. This is two miles longer, and involves driving up a steep hill. At the tollgate private cars pay a shilling a day, and buses two shillings each time they pass. Lorries with trailers are charged four shillings.

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# Splendid Bowling Seen In International Series

## VOLUNTEER BOWLS TOURNEY

Seven matches in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps inter-unit bowls competition for the China Shield Challenge Cup were played yesterday.

At Kowloon Bowling Green Field Coy. Eng. "A" beat Stanley Platoon "B", 23-12. L. Sykes, Capt. Buttley, Col. L. Stephens and C.Q.M.S. A. Spary beat Pte. W. Webber, Pte. R. Girdley, Pte. J. McCutcheon and Pte. A. Jillett in the second round.

Stanley Platoon "A" beat No. 2 Coy. "B", 24-12. Pte. S. Hodge, Pte. S. H. Marvin, Lt. J. W. Fitzgerald and Sgt. W. J. Bagley beat L/Cpl. Connolly, Pte. Musker, Cpl. Hillon and Sgt. Stanton in the first round.

At Club de Recreio 1st Battery "D" beat No. 2 Coy. "D", 24-23. Gnr. Lockhart, Gnr. Stone, Gnr. Clemow and Sgt. L. J. Sykes beat Pte. P. M. Macle, Pte. Macmaster and Pte. Revie in preliminary round.

Field Coy. Eng. "C" beat Field Ambulance "A", 24-14. Spr. A. M. Calman, Spr. J. G. Orazio, Spr. R. Lapsley and Spr. R. Morrison beat Pte. A. F. Noronha, L/Cpl. J. A. Remedios, Pte. A. M. Rumjahn and Lt. A. M. Rodrigues in the second round.

At Kowloon Cricket Club 1st Battery "A" beat No. 2 Coy. "A", 10-16. Gnr. Morrison, Gnr. Carr, Gnr. Bickford and Capt. Watson beat Pte. Coull, Pte. McKie, L/Cpl. Gillies and Pte. Boydall in preliminary round.

Field Ambulance "B" beat 2nd Battery, 10-10. Pte. A. Roza, Pte. W. Higgs, Sgt. R. Leigh and Sgt. A. Steven beat B. S. M. Ross, Sgt. Lloyd, Sgt. Carr and Sgt. Sheriff in the second round.

At Kowloon Football Club A.S.C. Coy. "A" beat No. 2 Coy. "C", 30-14. Cpl. Cullen, Sgt. Hyde, Sgt. Meyer and Pte. Kerr beat Pte. Curtis, Pte. Morrison, Pte. Gill and Capt. Brown in the preliminary round.

## SPORTS ADVT.

### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Tenth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 2nd November, 1940 (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on THURSDAY, 24th October, 1940.

By Order, C. B. BROWN, Secretary.

INDIA, PHILIPPINES AND IRELAND entered the second round of the Gutierrez International Shield yesterday by defeating Portugal, China and Malaya respectively on the Kowloon Football Club green.

As to be expected, the best bowls of the day was seen in the India-Portugal match in which U. M. Omar and C. G. Silva, the two leading skips of the League, were in opposition. India scored on 11 heads against Portugal's ten but finished up 17-12 to the good chiefly because even when they could not score they were able to keep their opponents' score down to singles and doubles. In fact, of the ten heads registered by Portugal, no fewer than eight were singles, the rest being twos.

While the Indian No. 1 and 2 held their own against the Luz brothers, there is no doubt that the Omar brothers had the better of F. V. V. Ribeiro and C. G. Silva. Time and again K. M. came up to lay the shot, and when he failed 17 M. more often than not managed to do so. The standard of play was very high in this encounter—which is perhaps only to be expected, with two skips like U. M. Omar and Carlos Silva up against each other.

IRELAND THROUGH "Actually Ireland defeated Malaya by 20-20, but the margin would not have been so wide had M. R. Abbas, the Malayan skip, not taken his counter out with his first wood in a desperate attempt to "burn" the jack in the last head. The Irishmen were leading by three shots and when the skips went down, Malaya lay one but Ireland had two seconds. Abbas failed to add to Malaya's score with his first wood and with no back woods, his only hope was to "burn" the jack. He not only failed to do what he wanted but took out his own shell and W. V. Field, the Irish skip, added another.

Malaya made a late rally but left their effort too late. Bakar was the best of the losers, while of the winners everyone played steadily. China held her own in the first ten heads against the Philippines, but thereafter, a four, two and six on successive heads spelt her doom. Philippines finished up on the winning end of a 33-10 score.

The following were the detailed scores:

India		v.	Portugal	
A. H. Rumjahn		J. A. da Luz		
A. M. Rumjahn		R. F. da Luz		
K. M. Omar		F. V. V. Ribeiro		
U. M. Omar		C. G. Silva		
1	2	2	-	-
2	-	2	1	1
3	-	2	2	3
4	3	4	-	3
5	1	5	-	3
6	2	7	-	3
7	1	8	-	3

8	-	8	1	4
9	-	8	1	5
10	-	8	1	6
11	-	8	1	7
12	3	11	-	7
13	-	11	1	8
14	-	11	1	9
15	1	12	-	9
16	1	13	-	9
17	1	14	-	9
18	-	14	1	10
19	2	16	-	10
20	-	16	2	12
21	1	17	-	12

<i>Ireland</i>	<i>v.</i>	<i>Malaya</i>
C. Dowman		A. M. Wahab
A. Wright		S. Yusuf
H. Lockhart		A. Bakar
W. V. Field		M. R. Abbas
1	1	1
2	2	2
3	3	3
4	4	4
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9	9	9
10	10	10
11	11	11
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18	18	18
19	19	19
20	20	20
21	21	21

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5	-	7	-	2	4
6	4	11	-	-	4
7	3	14	-	-	4
8	-	14	-	1	5
9	-	14	-	3	6
10	1	15	-	-	8
11	-	15	-	2	10
12	3	18	-	-	10
13	1	19	-	-	10
14	-	19	-	3	12
15	1	20	-	-	12

15	1	20	1	12
16	3	23	1	12
17	—	23	2	14
18	—	23	2	10
19	—	23	3	19
20	—	23	1	20
21	3	20	1	20

China	v.	Philippine
Y. H. Tang		H. A. Castro
S. C. Wong		A. E. H. Castro
W. Hong Sling		V. N. Attlem
J. Pau		R. Basa
1	2	-
2	2	-

d	2	2	3	3
y	3	4	-	3
e	4	6	-	3
d	5	6	1	4
d	6	8	-	4
d	7	8	4	8
	8	10		8

8	2	10	-	8
9	1	11	-	12
10	-	11	4	14
11	-	11	2	20
12	-	11	6	20
*13	-	11	-	20
14	-	11	4	24
15	-	11	2	26
16	1	12	-	26
17	-	12	2	28
18	-	12	2	30
19	2	14	-	30
20	2	16	-	30
21	-	16	3	33

\* Dead Head.

## Ricketts Retains Golf Title

### China Championship

Shanghai, Oct. 20. Tony Ricketts today retained the amateur golf championship of China with a final score of 295. Lewis Carson was second with 311 and A. B. Davis and W. H. C. Huggitt tied for third place with 315, but Davis won the place in a five-hole play-off.

Ricketts led in the morning round with a score of 70-seven strokes up on Carson, who was second. In the afternoon round Huggitt was first with 70, Carson second with 73, Ricketts third with 74.

Yesterday Ricketts led in the first round with a score of 151 and Carson, 159, was second. Yesterday's play was at Seekingsao and to-day's at Hungjiao. —Reuter.

### Happy Valley Match

In their second meeting this year at Happy Valley yesterday, the Happy Valley Golf Club beat the Kowloon Golf Club 17-12. At their earlier meeting, in Easter, Kowloon beat Happy Valley 22-11.

The Singles resulted in a win for Kowloon 8-4, while Happy Valley won the foursomes 10-4.

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# SING TAO WORTHY WINNERS: BUT FLATTERED BY SCORE

(By "Scrambler")



HEADS UP! A midfield incident in the soccer match played yesterday between Sing Tao and the Navy on the Club ground. The Chinese won by 5-2.—Ming Yuen.

## Army Beat Club At Rugby Forward Superiority Settles The Issue

(By "Fly-Half")

IN THE OPENING RUGGER match of the present season, played at Happy Valley on Saturday, Army defeated Club by nine points (three tries) to three (a try). The Club were unfortunate to kick off without D. H. Stewart, who was unavailable due to Volunteer duties. Carruthers, who deputised, played moderately well but lacked the robust and powerful running of Stewart.

Army have a very sound pack and a good pair of halves, and although the three played well to win they were far from reliable. Dropped passes and knock-ons were frequent when a try was almost certain. The heat, which affected all alike, may have had much to do with this, but it is a thing Army have to watch if they want to carry off premier honours.

March was the chief culprit, but the other three were no less blameworthy, especially Douglass in the first half. It appeared that most of the mistakes were caused by passes which went just that much too far forward for the receiver to take.

Many clean breakaways by the Army were broken up by the Club full-back, Thompson, who played, in my opinion, his best game to date and by vice Jimmie Thomson, who got back to lend the full back grand support. The banker caught and tackled faultlessly and, with improvement in kicking and avoidance of the mistake of hanging on too long, will solve Club's full back vacancy caused through Henderson's absence from the Colony.

BOSANQUET WAS SLOW Bosanquet, seen little in attack, lay too far back in defence and was slow in coming up on Richards (Army) who is a man to confine in space as he has a strong run. Carruthers was the only Club player worthy of commendation outside Thompson, Thomson and Allkenhead. The last-mentioned kicked well to touch in the face of the quick-breaking Army wing forwards.

Day, without being brilliant, was instrumental in saving more than one try by his speed. Carruthers like the other backs seldom got a fair chance. He brought Club supporters to their feet by a clever recovery and kick ahead well up field which put Club on the offence and dangerously so with the Army team going the wrong way. Unfortunately for the winger, the ball went into touch before he could regain possession.

At forward, Army had a great deal more than a half share of the ball. In the scrums, Sutherland hooked well and in the line-outs, Millar, Cuthbertson and Willoughby completely nullified the efforts of the Club eight.

It was pitiful to see such tall men as those mentioned catch the ball and have sufficient time to regain their feet on the ground to pass out direct overhead to the stand-off half without a Club player going for their heels instead of trying to obstruct his throw.

Nothing knocks the stuffing out of a big fellow than to have to fall six feet to the ground—nothing is fairer, provided he has caught the ball and nothing easier done.

ARMY MONOPOLY Unless Taylor, Hackett, Godfrey and Macrae, Club's hopes in the line-out, jump a great deal higher. They will find that Army are going to establish a monopoly in this phase of the game in future matches.

Both scrum-halves played well as far as the game allowed. Wedder-

## Police v. Navy

A report of the rugger match between Police and Royal Navy, by "Fly-Half", will be given in to-morrow's issue.

burn, behind a superior pack, gave Hook a good service while Thomson was more closely watched by the Army wing forwards, Duke and Heath, than Wedderburn was by Club's breakaway men.

Lt. Coombes was a live wire in the Army three line with a quick break through open gaps in the Club's defence. Lt. Ford, the Army full-back, was not severely tested. Richards and Douglass were the best combination on the field.

Club forwards were sluggish and were soon tired by the play which resulted, that of keeping the ball in play rather than kicking for touch. Infractions were few despite robust play.

Thompson, by a solo effort, drew first blood from Club when he booted ahead from a scrum to the Army twenty-five and followed up the ball which caught Hook on the wrong foot. Gaining possession, he was tackled by Ford about three yards from the Army line, but having only one leg held, he struggled over just to the side of the upright. Macrae failed to convert.

### ARMY RETALIATE

At this stage, play was in favour of Club, mainly due to the inability of the Army's three to get going owing to dropped passes. Douglass suddenly cut through Club's defence and scored a good try at the corner. March failed to add the additional point. This gave heart to the Army and Douglass broke away again and made an opening for Richards to race over and touch down near the posts. Berry failed to convert.

Club were definitely leg-weary in the second half and only faulty handling by Army's three, and good defence work by Thompson prevented the military men from increasing their lead. Douglass scored a try which was not improved on by March to complete Army's victory.

The teams were: Army—Ford, Richards, Douglass, Coombes and March; Hook and Wedderburn; Berry, Sutherland, Pinkerton; Willoughby, Millar; Duke, Cuthbertson and Heath. Club—Thompson; Bosanquet, Carruthers, Thomson, Allkenhead, Henderson, Day and Carruthers; Alkenhead and Carruthers; Henderson, Pinkerton, Hackett, Gairdner, Godfrey, Taylor and McCrea.

Revealing splendid form, the Sing Tao 1st XI defeated Royal Navy yesterday on the Club ground before a capacity crowd by 5-2. The score cannot be taken as a criterion of the play, as the Navy had as much of the play as the Sing Tao, and only their hesitancy in parting with the ball, coupled with their lack of cohesion, prevented them from adding to their score. Whereas Sing Tao indulged in pretty passing, the Navy were far too individualistic.

There was more understanding and team play in the Sing Tao's eleven. As a schemer, Fung King-cheung was there whenever needed, and his co-operation with his other forwards was a treat to watch.

The whole of the Chinese forward line played well together. The wingers, Tang Kwong-sum and Ip Pak-wah, had many runs down the field and their centres invariably spell danger to the Navy goal. The inside trio of Fung King-cheung, Kwok Ying-kie and Lai Shui-wing still constitute a threat to any senior team, and their short interpassing had the Navy defenders guessing time and again. The diminutive centre forward is a bag of tricks in himself, and his two goals were the result of good positional play and opportunism.

### SOONG ALERT

Of the Chinese defenders, the half back trio had as much work to do as their opponents, Soong Ling-sing, although limping during the greater part of the game, put in a lot of useful work. Besides policing Hendy, who was as evasive as ever, Soong found time in feeding his forwards with nice ground passes. Of the two wing-halves, Lau Ting-sang was slightly better than Tsui Ah-fai. He had a much faster man in Phippes to attend to, and still found time to come up to help his forwards whenever wanted. Tsui Ah-fai, at left half, went about his work unobtrusively, and had the measure of Bourne for the greater part of the game. Of the two backs, they were steady as usual, and perhaps with the aid given by their front men, they did not appear to be overworked. Cheong Wing-choy, in goal, did not have much to do.

Of the Navy players, there were too much individualism in their play. If they had been able to put in the same understanding as the Chinese, they would have been rewarded with as many goals. Hendy led his men well, being very conspicuous in his foraging. He was ever a thorn in the Chinese side, and with LePage on his right, these two very often brought the ball right up to the Chinese goal only to be robbed by not parting with it earlier.

Honeywell, Croft and Britt had all their work cut in looking after the nippy Chinese forwards, with the result that they were unable to give their forwards the attention they very much needed. Roughley was steadier than Honeywell at back; the latter falter under heavy pressure. Giff did not seem to be his usual self. His collecting of the ball in itself was faulty. But he could not have done much with the goals scored against him.

### FAST FIRST GOAL

Sing Tao surprised their supporters

### MARATHON RACE

The Hongkong and Kowloon Tenants' Association will hold an open long-distance race on November 10, and intending competitors of either sex are asked to register by the end of this month either at 6 Queen's Road Central, second floor, or 550 Nathan Road, third floor.

## Japanese Triumph In Tennis Series

TOKYO, Oct. 20. (Domei)—The three-day international tennis tournament between Germany and Japan ended in a victory for Japan 3 to 1. On the final day, Yasuo Tsuruta of Japan defeated Kurt Gless of Germany 9-7, 6-4, 6-3. The match between Heinrich Henkel of Germany and Haruo Kodera of Japan was called off on account of darkness. The score was 5-5 in the fifth set, each player having won two sets.



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## Hongkong Girl Molested

### A Technical Assault

In the Brisbane Police Court recently, Gregory James Joseph Howarth, wharf labourer, married, and the father of three children, was charged with unlawfully assaulting an 11-year-old Hongkong girl at Hamilton on the afternoon of Friday, September 13.

The magistrate, Mr. P. G. Knyvett, decided that a "technical assault" only had been committed. He convicted, but did not fine, Howarth. On the early afternoon of that Friday, the girl left the Breakfast Creek State School to lunch with her mother at their home in Day's Road, Hamilton. On her way back she walked along Cooksley Street and turned into Hamilton Road, when she saw Howarth coming from the opposite direction.

"He came towards me, and then he walked quite a distance past me," explained the girl from Hongkong in a quiet, cultured voice. "Then he turned around, walked smartly after me, and pulled my sweater in the middle of the back. He caught me with his hand and he said, 'Do you know where Rosetta lives?'"

The girl told him she did not know, and when he asked, "Where is the Guest House?" she pointed out that it was right beside them.

### Nice Voice

"You have a very nice voice," Howarth is alleged to have remarked. "Are you Irish or Italian?"

The girl from Hongkong replied that she was neither, and in her story to the court claimed that Howarth at that stage said: "How about coming for a walk with me? It is very nice and quiet up there." "You stay here and I'll be back," the girl claims she said. But instead she ran home and told her mother. With her parent she went to the school, spoke to the headmaster, and the police were communicated with. Plainclothes Constables Bruce and Devanier investigated the complaint, and when the girl repeated her story in Howarth's presence, he said: "No, girly, you are telling lies."

The girl told Mr. J. R. Gilbert (for Howarth) that her mother told her to be very careful of men. When "this happened" she went home and told her mother immediately. Mr. Gilbert: "Don't you think he only pulled your coat to attract your attention?—Yes."

### Mother's Statement

The girl's mother, explaining that she was a recent arrival from Hongkong, explained her daughter's arrival home, and how the matter was reported to the teacher.

Mr. Gilbert: You were in China quite a long time, weren't you?—Yes, I was in Hongkong.

In Hongkong, is it a frequent or infrequent thing for men to accost women in the street?—In China the practice of men accosting women is unknown. Men never think of speaking to women in the streets at all.

Why, is it a crime?—It is considered a very serious offence, and the punishment is by flogging. But I suppose it all depends on the way a man approaches a woman in Hongkong?—Oh, yes.

Have you told her to look upon such a thing with horror?—Yes, I have.

In view of my education in that custom," added the mother, "I would leave no stone unturned to see that such a man got his just deserts."

Testifying in his own defence, Howarth, who lives in Gordon Street, Newcastle, declared that on September 13 he was going to interview a man named Rosetta about the renting of a house. He did not know where Rosetta lived, and, seeing the girl, asked her. She replied that she did not know.

Howarth emphatically denied that he touched the girl, or that he had asked her to go for a walk with him. "I deny on oath that I even touched her," he said.

The magistrate, however, decided that the matter constituted a "technical assault," and Howarth was convicted but not punished.

## Baby Born In Air Raid Shelter

Mrs. Anne Plume, 34, claims to be the first woman to give birth to a baby in an Anderson air raid shelter. She decided to name her seven-pound boy, born in a recent German raid, after Sir John Anderson, Minister of Home Security, who organized the shelter set-up.

The baby arrived as bombs were heard in the distance.

"It certainly took my mind off the raid," said Mrs. Plume.

## NO SCHOOL FOR THOUSANDS IN NORTH

# EVACUEE CHILDREN IN SOUTH GET FULL-TIME EDUCATION

THE Education Minister has stated officially that 33,000 children in London were receiving no schooling of any kind. Many of the 33,000 children in the London area mentioned will, it is hoped, be back at school by September.

Attendance officers are taking a "census," and more shelters are being built, so that some of the closed schools may shortly be reopened.

The number of schools open in peace-time in the L.C.C. area is 950; at present 302 are open for half-time, and 286 full-time; of those closed, some are in danger areas, others are of the "bungalow" type, considered unsuitable for reopening.

There are still some 200,000 London children in the reception areas.

"It is difficult to get all the remaining children back into the schools which are open," an official of the L.C.C. said, "particularly as this is normally the holiday month."

School holidays, however, have been suspended, and teachers get two weeks off in rotation. The "holiday school" is not too strenuous, except for those children who have missed much school time because of war conditions.

### SOUTH-WEST

Most of the children in the West of England are said to be receiving full-time education.

There are 120,000 evacuees in Gloucestershire, Somerset, Devon, Cornwall, Wiltshire and Dorset, and education is being provided for all of them.

In some places, however, where they are sharing schools, double shifts are being worked, with local children and evacuees in the afternoon.

Elsewhere evacuees are receiving full education with the local children. In Bristol full-time education is being provided for all the city's 50,000 elementary school children and 7,000 secondary pupils. Now that air raid shelters have been built at the schools, attendance is compulsory. All the Bristol schools are remaining open during August.

Exeter's school population has been increased to 15,162 by evacuees, but every child is receiving full-time education.

### NORTH-EAST

Most of the Northern education authorities have built up a system to guarantee part-time schooling, at least, for all children under their control.

Five months ago Manchester had 130 of its 288 schools open for full-time working; the number was nearly doubled a month later, and since then the position has improved, so that all children are attending school.

There is a different story to tell in the defence areas on the East Coast, however. Here there are many thousands of children who have had little schooling since the outbreak of war.

Surfeland's school population is nearly 30,000, and last week the average attendance at the schools remaining open was just over 5,200. Allowing for the 3,000 children evacuated, no provision is made for the education of about 20,000.

The Education Committee has been pressing the Ministry to allow the schools with air raid protection to reopen but, after several weeks, permission has not yet been given.

At Newcastle all the schools have been closed, leaving 23,000 children without any education. Efforts are being made to reopen schools with air raid shelters, and it is expected that certain schools will be available soon for part-time education.

## Curfew For Children Planned By Two Cities

### MANCHESTER and Liverpool may soon impose a curfew on children.

If the Home Secretary agrees, all boys and girls under 14 will have to be indoors by 8 p.m. during the summer, and 7 p.m. during the winter.

The curfew would not apply to children accompanied by an adult. Manchester City Council agreed without discussion, to seek Sir John Anderson's sanction for the measure.

Moving the resolution, Councillor A. R. Edwards, who is the father of 11 children, a number of them under 14, said the curfew would ensure greater safety during air raids.

## Airmen From Rhodesia

Arrived in Britain of First Contingent

The first contingent of airmen from Southern Rhodesia, the latest Empire contribution to Britain's air effort, has arrived at a Scottish port.

The men are to become part of the technical and maintenance personnel of all Rhodesian bomber and fighter squadrons which are to be formed in Britain.

Hardly any of them are out of their twenties. The "baby" of the party is a youth of 17. They have left all sorts of jobs. One was in the City Treasury at Bulawayo. Another was a banker, a third a cattle inspector, and a fourth a Customs official.

Others were tobacco growers, upholsterers, electricians, miners, railwaymen, workkeepers and salesmen.

They form, as any force from Britain and the Empire does, a complete cross-section of the life of the community from which they are drawn.

A number were born in Britain. One man could see his native town as the ship steamed into home water, and many others have relatives and friends in this country.

Welcome to Newcomers

Mr. Langan O'Keefe, High Commissioner for Southern Rhodesia, was at the quay to welcome the contingent as the liner steamed into port. The Rhodesians were wearing everything from khaki and Air Force blue to running shorts and blazers, flannels and tweed jackets, with badges of rank pinned to them.

Mr. O'Keefe welcomed the new addition to the ranks of those who, he said, "have come here to help to put Hitler and his Nazis where, after due consideration and counting the cost, we have as an Empire decided he and they should be put."

He pointed out that a comparative large number of Rhodesians were already on active service in the Navy, Army and Air Force. Of the Southern Rhodesian pilots in the R.A.F. five had already won the D.F.C.

'Spitfire, £5,000 O.K., I'll Pay'

Lord Cornwallis, president of Kent Spitfire Fund, was awakened at two o'clock the other morning by a telephone call from a stranger. "How much does a Spitfire cost?" he was asked.

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A cheque for £5,000 was sent to Lord Cornwallis from an anonymous donor.

## Gibraltar Evacuees Settle Down

# London Now Has Its Own 'Little Spain'

### Can't Speak English

LONDON'S Little Italy and China-town have a new rival. It is Little Spain.

Somewhere in the Metropolis are hundreds of refugees who can hardly speak a word of English. They are the evacuees from Gibraltar.

A whole hotel has been handed over to them. They have been pouring into London.

One night recently they were as happy as a bunch of picnickers on a Bank Holiday outing to Margate. They were escorted to their hotel under a heavy police guard—with policemen even standing on the running-board of the buses that carried them from a London station.

Several hundreds of these evacuees are now safe in this country. There are old men and old women who have spent their lives fishing in the blue waters of the Mediterranean. There are new-born babies.

"It is just like a great party," one of the women who are caring for them said. "They are completely happy."

For many of the refugees this was their second evacuation. Some time ago they were sent to Morocco.

### Left Husbands

"We have left our husbands and sons behind," one of the women refugees said. "We know it is only for a short time. England will win."

Another spoke of the air raids on Gibraltar.

"When we left just over a week ago only one woman had been killed."

### Want To Help

"The raids didn't worry us. We just settled down in the shelters as though we were in our own homes."

"We had no fear, so great is our faith in the protection of the British forces and Navy."

"Many of us have taken training in first-aid and A.R.P. work. Now we are in England we want to join the British units."

## Frenchmen Who Wouldn't Join Vichy Boy Took 'Matric' On The Run From Enemy

HERE ARE three stories, typical of the courage and daring of Frenchmen who refused to submit to the Nazi yoke and have come to England to continue the struggle under General de Gaulle, leader of All Free Frenchmen.

1.—This concerns a 17-year-old boy who was about to sit for his matriculation examination when the Germans entered the city.

The boy cycled to Bordeaux, but there was no boat to bring him to England. So he cycled farther south to St. Jean de Luz, whence a boat was leaving in two days time.

He found that he could sit for his examination during those two days—and did so.

"Someone must carry on," was his only comment.

2.—The hero of this adventure is a young French liaison officer with the R.A.F.

He was left behind when the squadron to which he was attached was ordered to leave France.

When the Germans arrived he hid in a peasant's house. Nearby was a damaged British bomber.

Although he had never piloted a plane, he went secretly every night to repair the engine.

He succeeded, obtained petrol from a store that had been seized by the Germans, and one night flew to England. He crashed on landing, but was not injured.

3.—A high naval officer provided the epic for this story.

He was writing a report in a quayside office at Brest. There came a knock at the door. At the word "Entrez" a German officer stepped in.

The German told him that the files were to be vacated, and he was given five minutes in which to finish his report.

At the door closed behind the German he destroyed his report and other documents, stripped off his clothes and dived through a window into the harbour.

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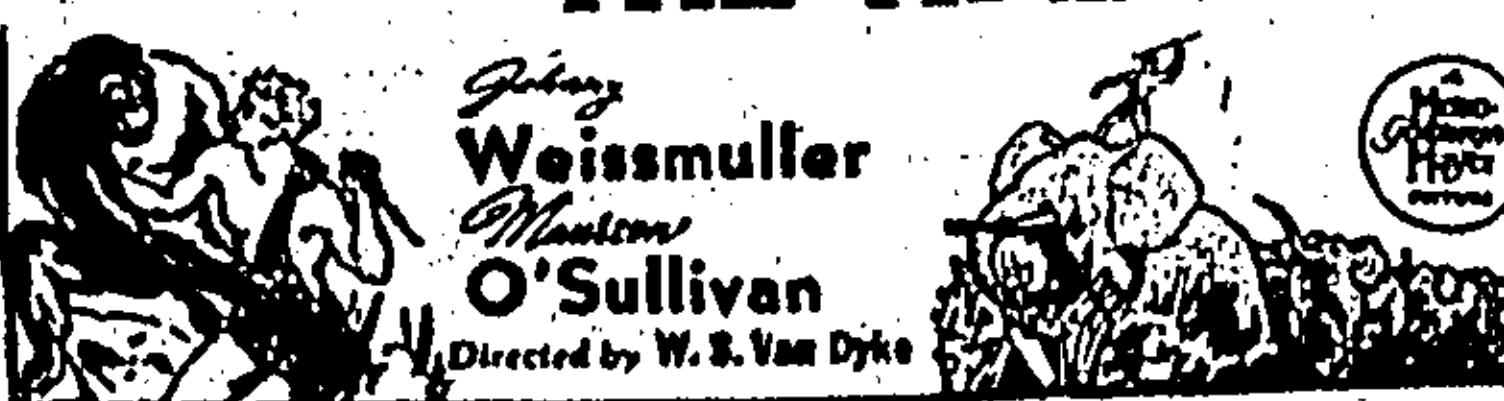
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## NEW PRESS LAW QUESTIONED IN COMMONS

# M. P. Says Anderson Has 'Goebbels' Power

**THERE WAS A SHARP FIGHT IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS OVER THE DEFENCE REGULATION WHICH GIVES THE HOME SECRETARY POWER TO SUPPRESS ANY NEWSPAPER.**

He may do so without any reference to a court or to Parliament if, in his opinion, it has systematically published matter calculated to promote opposition to the war.

Sir John Anderson dug his heels in and declared that so long as he was Home Secretary he would not shrink from these powers which, in ordinary times, he said, he would view with repugnance.

Mr. S. S. Silverman (Lab., Nelson and Colne) raised the matter by moving for the annulment of Regulation "2 d."

**One-Man Decision**  
He asserted that the regulation gave the Home Secretary "complete power over the whole Press of this country, and places him in a position no whit inferior to that occupied by Dr. Goebbels in Germany in the matter of control of newspapers."

Commander King Hall (Nat. Lab., Ormskirk) did not see why one man should have the power of decision on what is or is not prejudicial to the successful prosecution of the war.

Mr. Glenvil Hall (Lab., Colne Valley) declared that suspicion existed in the minds of many people that liberties of people were being improperly handed over to the Home Secretary.

Sir John Anderson jumped in to counter-attack. He was obviously in no defensive mood.

He began by agreeing that "the fullest possible liberty, consistent with vital national interests, should be allowed to the Press."

But the issue before them, he said, was whether freedom of expression of opinion should entail freedom to assist an enemy by systematic publication of matter calculated to foment opposition to the successful prosecution of the war.

**Nightmare Perils**

As for the suggestion that the powers might be used wantonly, no Home Secretary would dare to take action without the approval of the War Cabinet.

The regulation was admittedly posed to perils "that most of us have never imagined even in a nightmare."

But Mr. P. saw no very compelling argument in all this, and continued to press for some form of judicial appeal.

Sir Richard Acland (L., Barnstaple) said that again and again in past months the Home Secretary had come to the House and described a set of terrible circumstances which might occur.

But the powers he sought went far beyond the emergency he described. Finally Sir John Anderson repeated his procedure of the Emergency Powers Bill, and called on Sir Donald Somervell, the Attorney-General, to help him.

This time the Attorney-General did not announce surrender, but supported the Home Secretary's refusal.

Mr. E. Shinwell, in a powerful speech, said that in a panic situation he would much prefer to leave matters to a court rather than to a House of Commons, in which he thought they were all influenced by partisan considerations.

He pleaded with the Home Secretary and the Attorney-General not to be stubborn and obstinate.

Both of them, however, remained stubborn and obstinate.

Mr. Silverman's "prayer" was refused by 98 to 80, a majority of only 38.

**'Reactionary' Tax**

Earlier in the evening, during discussion on the Budget resolutions, Mr. G. Isaacs, Labour M. P. for Southwark, had fought against a different kind of danger to the Press.

The Purchase Tax was being applied to printed matter, he said, at a time when the printing industry was going through an unprecedented state of unemployment.

Yet newspapers were essential, and periodicals had been a blessing in the blackout, and they would be again.

Mr. D. Adams (Lab., Consett) described the newspaper tax as reactionary.

It was a tax upon knowledge, because the newspapers did convey a great deal of knowledge to the community.

The retail trade, he supposed, would have to add an additional halfpenny.

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And now comes a breathing space. The Minister of Labour will announce the resumption of holidays in all industries.

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But, after that, those who have worked at their benches and

## Forbidden City Sends Gifts To The Fleet

**THREE HUNDRED pounds of special wool are on their way from the forbidden city of Lhasa, Tibet, to be made into thick socks for British sailors on war patrol in the North Sea.**

## HUSBANDS COOK THE DINNER Wives Have Left

Wimbledon husbands whose wives have been evacuated are taking cookery lessons at the local technical college.

I went to see them doing their "home work"—cooking solitary Sunday dinners—and making a good job of it, too.

Mr. J. Fielding, of Aylward-road, had decided on cheese pudding.

"But I like grilling things best," he said to me. "I grill everything I can—even eggs. Yes, I put the egg into a patty tin and put the bacon

asher on top.

"The bacon fat drips on to the egg and makes it taste twice as nice. Then I put the bacon on the hot-plate and finish off the egg."

Miss Florence E. Morkam has 11 men in her cookery class at the college, and she says they learn more quickly than women.

"I'm teaching them not only how to cook," she said, "but the right kind of food to choose and how to buy it."

I spoke to another husband who is a keen member of the class. He is Mr. Jack Smith of Coombe-lane.

Mr. Smith's wife is not evacuated. But he joined the class because he has always liked cooking and wanted to know more about it.

"You see," he explained, "I've lived most of my life in Australia, and I had to do my own cooking out there. It's always useful to know how to dish up a good meal."

## War Damage Claims Not Disclosed

London, Aug. 26.

According to the Daily Telegraph while it is not possible for the Authorities to disclose the number of claims in respect of the Government's commodity insurance, it is said that some have been made and met by the companies dealing with the matter.

The amount claimed so far is comparatively very small having regard to the sum in the fund which now exceeds £30,000,000.

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The wool is the gift of Kusho Ringong, a Tibetan official, who was educated in Rugby.

He gave it to Mr. Gould, political official in Sikkim, when he left Lhasa two months ago after attending the installation ceremonies of the new Dalai Lama.

**Gifts For Viceroy**

Mr. Gould is the bearer of a letter and five cases of gifts from His Holiness the Dalai Lama to Lord Linlithgow Viceroy of India.

The departure of the British representative was attended by a picturesque Tibetan ceremony.

No Tibetan regiment provided a guard of honour and, at the customary place, three miles outside Lhasa, representatives of the Regent, Prime Minister, Tibetan Cabinet and Lord Chamberlain presented farewell scarves.

During his stay in Lhasa, Mr. Gould paid official visits to the Dalai Lama, the Regent Prime Minister and Cabinet.

**Hospital Constructed**

Gifts to Mr. Gould included several horses and valuable examples of Tibetan and Chinese art.

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**Pilot Finishes His Job**

London, Aug. 26.

After an R.A.F. Pilot had attacked Abberville aerodrome and started a fire he was on his way home when he found that only his incendiary bombs had dropped when the switches were pressed and his high explosive bombs were still in their racks. He thereupon flew back to Abberville and bombed a second time.

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## Sunday's Blitzkrieg By Royal Air Force

# SAVAGE ASSAULT ON COAST PORTS

Special to the "Telegraph"

FOLKESTONE, Oct. 21 (UP).—Royal Air Force planes are shuttling back and forth in swarms across the English Channel at ten minute intervals, heaping havoc on "Hitler's invasion ports."

All last night and so far to-day the British planes have been carrying out the most savage assault of the whole war on the French coast held by the Nazis.

Tons of bombs have been crashing, sometimes at the rate of 100 per minute, spreading a path of fiery destruction after a duel of unprecedented intensity between British and German long-range guns across the Channel.

### Like Thunder

The bombardment began about 7 p.m. yesterday and the explosions reverberated like thunder over Kent where windows rattled and ornaments crashed to the floor.

During the afternoon the Germans fired over fifty shells at a residential district of Dover where a few houses and a church were struck. One person was killed and two injured. At sunset the Germans fired two more salvos.

In the afternoon, too, a Messerschmidt was shot down over Dover. The pilot escaped with minor wounds. He approached a farmer sobbing, "No Messerschmidt. No Luck. No luck."

### Flushing Blasted

DOVER, Oct. 20 (UP).—The R.A.F. bombardment of the French coast at Flushing for over four hours to-night appears to have been more heavy than any previous operation.

The flights were going on every 10 or 12 minutes and a total of hundreds of tons of bombs must have been dropped.

## Burma Rd. Bombing Resumed

### Latest Japanese Claims

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

For the second time in the past three days Japanese naval planes yesterday subjected the Chinese section of the Burma Road to an intense bombardment says an official Japanese communiqué quoted by "Domel".

The Japanese raiders met heavy banks of clouds, but it is claimed, they succeeded in damaging vital bridges spanning the Lantsang River in west Yunnan.

It is declared that motor convoys consisting of scores of trucks were sighted during the attack and were seen scattering in order to avoid the Japanese raiders.

Another report issued by the Japanese says that a formation of bombers attacked munition factories at Kachiu, west of Mengtze in southern Yunnan, inflicting serious damage.

### Kunming Alarm

CHUNGKING, Oct. 20 (UP).—It is reliably reported that the air raid alarm was sounded in Kunming today from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m., when 27 batches of Japanese planes ranged from Kunming to all regions to the west and south.

However, only the towns of Tatum and Yukuopu were bombed.

Yukuopu is 14 miles from Mengtze on the Mengtze-Kochu branch of the railway while Tatum is about midway between Mengtze and Kochu.

Bombing of the Burma Road was not mentioned in the report.

## Standard Oil Forced Out?

### Report Of Tientsin Branch

CHUNGKING, Oct. 21 (Central News).—A Shanghai dispatch states that owing to Japan's strict control over petroleum in North China, the Standard-Vacuum Oil Co. in Tientsin has decided to wind up its business.

The Chinese staff members have been paid off and the American staff members have arrived in Shanghai ready to return to America.

No comment could be obtained from the Hongkong Office.

## Thailand Pressure On Indo-China Increases

Special to the "Telegraph"

BANGKOK, Oct. 20 (UP).—In a nationwide broadcast this evening the Thai Premier urged the people to remain cool and calm and await the Government's decision regarding the disputed territory.

He indicated that the French Commission would not be acceptable unless it was authorized to negotiate for the return of the Luang Prabang and Pakse territories, as well as the demarcation of the Mekong border.

He said: "To give just a demarcation on the Mekong border will not wipe out the injustice already done. We are determined to get back our lost territory and we will get it back. Every effort will be made, without

resorting to force, but if force is inevitable, war will be waged with the minimum of bloodshed."

One thousand farmers this afternoon marched on the Defence Ministry demonstrating that they wanted armed action if the French refuse to return the former Thai territory.

The farmers carried rice, bananas, coconuts and other produce as an example of what they would offer the nation in the event of war.

## PREMIER SAW IT SHOT DOWN

When Mr. Winston Churchill paid a visit recently to Britain's front line on the southeast coast, he walked straight into a fierce air raid during which he saw Nazi planes sent hurtling to the ground. Amongst them was the plane pictured here which, as can be seen, was still smouldering when the photograph was taken. Scenes like this have been common around the coasts of England.



## AERIAL BATTLES OVER LONDON

Sunday's Constant Action

By WALLACE CARROLL

UNITED PRESS STAFF CORRESPONDENT

LONDON, Oct. 21 (UP).—British and German planes are repeatedly clashing over London and southern England and the raiders last night were still crossing the Channel, braving the booming defences in attempts to bomb the British capital.

Anti-aircraft batteries were in action at dusk yesterday and German bombs rumbled in the streets while planes darted swiftly over the heart of the city. During the early part of the night raid the barking guns of London's outer defences kept up an unbroken barrage.

The German formations appeared in relays over the counties surrounding London and spread fanwise over the metropolitan area.

### Widespread Forays

German planes were also reported over Liverpool, Wales, a town in southwest England and elsewhere, indicating the widespread nature of the night forays.

London city had little rest for more than 24 hours. There were five closely spaced alarms which kept the people on the alert virtually all day.

The last all clear had scarcely sounded when the Germans arrived for their night attack. Flares were showered down in the outer London area at the outset of the night raid. These were followed by high explosive bombs adding to the casualties and damage which had been growing slowly but steadily from the daylight alarms.

One bomb exploded in a street smashing windows and the cornice of a building.

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## GIBRALTAR TIGHTENS DEFENCES

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ALGECIRAS, Oct. 20 (Domel).—All ships passing Gibraltar recently and refusing to obey light signals to halt have been compelled to stop by gunfire.

During the past few nights and early on Friday morning particularly the sound of gunfire from Gibraltar has been audible here.

Meanwhile, it is reported that all British subjects between the ages of 18 and 41 years in Gibraltar have been called up for military service. It is believed that they will be employed in armament plants at Gibraltar.

## Air Action In Mediterranean Intensifies

# R.A.F. HAMMER AT ITALIAN BASES

CAIRO, Oct. 20 (Reuters).—The R.A.F. hammered away this week-end with increased strength at Italian bases and shipping in Libya.

A communiqué to-night reports that yesterday R.A.F. bombers straddled a line of ships at the outer harbour mole of Ben Ghazi and caused a large fire at the Berka barracks.

The barracks' telephone exchange and military headquarters at Ben Ghazi had been hit in raids on the previous night, of which details are now available.

West of Bardia, bombs fell on barracks and a large concentration of motor transport.

At Hallaya (Hillfire Pass), near Sollum, bombs fell among anti-aircraft guns at the military camp and at Bug Bug, on anti-aircraft emplacements.

Another attack was made on Moritz in the Dodecanese Islands on the same night but the damage was not observed.

Dreadnaughts were visited and attacks on hangars there caused explosions followed by fires.

Bahrain Island, in the Persian Gulf, was bombed by four Italian aircraft shortly after midnight but very little damage was caused and there were no casualties.

### Communique

All R.A.F. machines returned safely. It is announced in a communiqué which states "Aircraft of the South African Air Force operating from the Sudan, raided Bardia (Abyssinia) aerodrome yesterday with considerable success. Three Italian fighters on the runway were shot up and burned out, while six other aircraft dispersed over the aerodrome, were severely damaged by gunfire but did not catch fire."

"R.A.F. bombers carried out several raids on Gura which resulted in explosions and fires among buildings which could be seen 15 minutes after the aircraft left the target on their way home."

### Night Raids

"Night raids were carried out at Diredawa, bombs falling across railway buildings and hangars. In North Africa, raids were carried out on Sollum, the Dodecanese Islands and Benghazi."

"At Sollum bombs fell on military concentrations and a camp. At Rhodes Island, direct hits were scored on administrative buildings near the aerodrome; also on the hangars."

"Bombs fell among vessels moored on the south side of the Mole d'Italia at Benghazi while incendiary bombs also fell on the quay adjoining. One merchant ship is believed to have been hit."

### Italian Retaliate

CAIRO, Oct. 20 (Reuters).—Italian aircraft have bombed two independent Moslem states—Saudi Arabia and the little island of Bahrain in the Persian Gulf.

The raiders flew over the Holy Land near the city of Mecca. It is learned here that there were TURN to Page 2, Column Five

## Political Alignment With Axis Is Denied

Yugo-Slavia's Position

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BELGRADE, Oct. 20 (UP).—The Foreign Office in Belgrade to-day denied overseas reports quoting the Foreign Minister as saying that Yugo-Slavia was collaborating with Germany under a new political as well as an economic Treaty.

The official announcement emphasised that what the Foreign Minister actually said was that there had been a certain amount of economic and political collaboration with Germany prior to the new economic treaty being signed, but that no actual political pact had been concluded.

### Bulgarian Denial

SOFIA, Oct. 20 (UP).—According to informed British sources there is no truth in the reports that the British Legation is burning its papers and that the staff is preparing to leave. The report was described as "absolute rot."

### Planes Over Bucharest

BUCHAREST, Oct. 20 (Reuters).—German bombers, wearing cross markings, flew over Bucharest to-day only 100 feet above the roof tops. The flights were apparently intended as an intimidating hint to civilians. Three machines circled and dived steeply exactly above the British Legation.

The Rumanian authorities are preparing the public for general air TURN to Page 2, Column Five

## Rumania Due To Join Axis

German Warning

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BUCHAREST, Oct. 20 (UP).—The Nazi organ in Bucharest, "Angeblatt," to-day published a warning to the other Balkan States that Rumania is expected at any moment to join the Axis.

The paper also urges the other Balkan States to follow suit.

This coincides with the enforcement of emergency measures here to deal with the possibility. The orders include a complete blackout from midnight to dawn effective immediately and to continue indefinitely.

## Britain May Accept Russia's Conquests

Latest London Theories

By FREDERICK KUH

UNITED PRESS STAFF CORRESPONDENT

LONDON, Oct. 20 (UP).—Acting on Sir Stafford Cripps' advice, the British Government is considering recognising Russia's absorption of the three Baltic States, the final decision on which awaits the current consultations in Washington, according to unconfirmed reports here.

One version termed the recognition as being likely. It was explained that the proposed concession to Moscow is being weighed in order to facilitate four-power talks concerning the Far East.

It is suggested that Britain might meet the Soviet's wishes regarding the Baltic States to make possible concerted policy between Britain, the United States, Russia and China against Japanese expansion. Inquiries among official quarters drew a negative answer.

### No Change in Attitude

"There is no change in Britain's attitude towards the merger of the Baltic States and Russia. Mr. Churchill's declaration in the House of Commons recently that Britain will refuse to recognise territorial changes made under duress during the war still stands," official quarters told "United Press."

Some observers think this comment is misleading because they recall that Mr. Churchill's declaration condemned the forced cession of Transylvania to Hungary, but that he significantly omitted to mention Bessarabia. That omission is widely TURN to Page 2, Column Five

### Cyclone Death Toll

LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuters).—It is now feared that between 300 and 400 lives have been lost in the cyclone which struck Bombay and the surrounding district early last week. Damage is estimated at about £370,000.

## Germans Surprised At England's Resistance

Special to the "Telegraph"

ROME, Oct. 20 (UP).—The Berlin correspondent of Count Ciano's newspaper "Telegrafo" to-day declares that the Germans are surprised at England's resistance to the daily Nazi bombings. "After reading the official German communiques one question is always asked—'How is England able to resist?' For how long and at the cost of what sacrifices will England be able to hold her ground? Can England, we ask ourselves, prolong her resistance? Is it really true that 47,000,000 Englishmen are 47,000,000 Churchills, all determined to die under the ruins of the British Empire rather than give in?"

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1.45 Light French Music.  
2.15 Close down.  
6.0 Dance Music.

6.28 Closing local Stock Quotations.  
6.30 Dance Music continued.

7.0 London Relay—The News.  
7.15 London Relay—Topical Talks.  
7.30 De Groot & His Orchestra and Frank Titterton (Tenor).

8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.  
8.03 This week's programmes.

8.06 Schumann—Trio in D Minor, Op. 63.  
Cortot, Thibaud and Casals.

8.38 Mozart—Symphony in D No. 35.  
Sir Hamilton Harty conducting the Halls Orchestra.

9.0 London Relay—The News & News Commentaries.  
9.45 Selections from Gilbert & Sullivan.

10.16 Reginald Foort at the Organ.  
Hits from the Shows, Cloister Shrouds (Hops), "The Singing Marine"—Selection, "Broadway Melody of 1938"—Selection.

10.31 Albert Sandler & His Orchestra.  
11.0 Close down.

## CHINA FIGHTING, REPORTS

CHUNGKING, Oct. 20 (Central News). The Shanghai-Nanking Railway was heavily damaged east of Chibuyuen near Changchow as a result of a Chinese guerrilla attack. Passengers have to change trains at the damaged point.

The guerrillas laid a mine on the night of October 19, blowing up three freight wagons and then attacking the Japanese guards.

**Two Planes Down**  
TZEKWEI, HUPEI, Oct. 20 (Central News). Two Japanese fighters, flying with several other planes over Chinese positions north-west of Ichang, 350 miles above Hankow, on the morning of October 14 were shot down by Chinese anti-aircraft fire. They crashed on the brink of the Yangtze at Namukong, and were burned up.

## Mr. Willkie Gaining

Latest Gallup Poll

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Oct. 20 (UP).—

The latest Gallup Poll indicates that Mr. Wendell Willkie is gaining support and the trend now indicates that he will get about 45 per cent. of the electoral votes compared to President Roosevelt's 55 per cent.

President Roosevelt has a lead in 37 states, including New York, and Pennsylvania.

Mr. Willkie, according to the findings of the Gallup Poll is ahead in 11 other States including Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Maine, Michigan, Nebraska, North and South Dakota, Vermont and Wisconsin.

In New York, President Roosevelt is credited with 52 per cent. of the electoral vote and in Pennsylvania 55 per cent.

## Economic Mission Reaches Hanoi

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HANOI, Oct. 20 (Dome).—The Japanese Economic Mission headed by Mr. Hajime Matsumiya, Ambassador-at-Large, arrived here on Saturday.

On Sunday afternoon, Ambassador Matsumiya and other members of the Japanese Mission were entertained at a banquet given in their honour by M. Desalle, the Secretary-General of the Indo-China Government. Present at the party were Major-General Ralshiro Sumita, Chairman of the Japanese Consulate-General at Hanoi.

## Radio Station Moved

LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—In future broadcasts from Germany will no longer broadcast from Bremen but from Breslau some 350 miles further inland almost on the Polish frontier.

The reason for this move is that Bremen is the favourite target of the R.A.F. and the radio station had to go off the air to avoid guiding the bombers.



## Exchange At A Glance

SELLING

T.T. London ..... 1/2 1/2  
Demand London ..... 1/2 1/2  
T.T. Shanghai ..... 1/2 1/2  
T.T. Singapore ..... 1/2 1/2  
T.T. Japan ..... 1/2 1/2  
T.T. U.S.A. ..... 1/2 1/2  
T.T. Manila ..... 1/2 1/2  
T.T. Batavia ..... 1/2 1/2  
T.T. Bangkok ..... 1/2 1/2  
T.T. Saigon ..... 1/2 1/2  
T.T. France ..... Nom.  
T.T. Switzerland ..... 1/2 1/2  
T.T. Australia ..... 1/2 1/2

BUYING  
4 m/s L/C London ..... 1/3 1/4  
4 m/s D/P London ..... 1/3 1/4  
4 m/s L/C U.S.A. ..... 23 1/2  
4 m/s France ..... Nom.  
30 d/s India ..... 1/2 1/2  
U.S. Cross rate in London ..... 4.03  
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y. .... 4.02

## H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

**BANKS**  
H.K. Banks ..... 122 1/2  
H.K. Banks (H.K.) ..... 60 n.  
Chartered ..... 67 1/2  
Mercantile, A. & B. E. .... 25 1/2  
Mercantile, C. E. .... 10 1/2  
East Asia ..... 72 n.

**INSURANCES**  
Canton ..... 185 n.  
Union ..... 387 1/2  
China Underwriters ..... 150 n.  
H.K. Fire ..... 150 n.

**SHIPPING**  
Douglases ..... 120 n.  
Steamboats ..... 11 n.  
Indo-China S. S. .... 100 n.  
Indo-China D. S. .... 80 n.  
Shell (Bearers) s/- ..... 30 3/8  
Waterboats ..... 6 1/2 n.

**DOCKS ETC.**  
Wharves ..... 89 1/2  
Docks (old) ..... 15 1/2  
Docks (new) ..... 15 1/2  
Providents ..... 4 1/2  
S'nal Dockyards ..... 20 1/2

**MINING**  
Kallian s/- ..... 14 n.  
Raub's ..... 9 1/2  
H.K. Mines ..... 1 1/2 cts.

**LANDS**  
Hotels ..... 3 1/2  
Lands ..... 30 1/2  
Lands 4% Debentures ..... 100 n.  
S'nal Lands Sh. .... 10 n.  
Humphreys ..... 7 1/2  
H.K. Realities ..... 3 1/2  
Chinese Estates ..... 100 n.

**UTILITIES**  
Trams ..... 10 n.  
Peak Trams (old) ..... 7 1/2  
Peak Trams (new) ..... 3 1/2  
Star Ferries ..... 59 1/2  
Y. Ferries ..... 22 1/2  
China Lights (old) ..... 6 1/2  
China Lights (new) ..... 6 1/2  
H.K. Electric (old) ..... 36 1/2  
H.K. Electric (new) ..... 17 n.  
Macao Electric (new) ..... 16 n.  
S'nal Electric (new) ..... 11 n.  
Telephones (old) ..... 23 n.  
Telephones (new) ..... 9 3/8 n.

**INDUSTRIALS**  
Cald. Macg. (Ord.), Sh. .... 14 1/2  
Cald. Macg. (Pref.), Sh. .... 12 n.  
Canton Ices ..... 1 n.  
Cements ..... 15 1/2  
H.K. Ropes ..... 6 3/8 n.

**STORES, &c.**  
Dairy Farms ..... 17 n.  
Watsons ..... 8 1/2  
Lane Crawford's ..... 7 1/2  
Sincere's ..... 2 1/2  
Wing On (H.K.) ..... 39 n.  
Powell Lidd ..... 1 n.

**COTTON MILLS**  
Ewo Sh. ..... 37 1/2  
S'nal Cotton Sh. .... 18 1/2

**MISC.**  
H.K. Govt. 4% ..... 90 n.  
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% (1934) ..... 95 n.  
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% (1940) ..... 95 n.  
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G.S.D. .... 35 1/2  
H.K. Railways (new) ..... 6 1/2  
Telephones (old) ..... 1 1/2  
Constructions (new) ..... 1 n.  
Vibro Pilling ..... 8 n.  
Marsmann Inv. (Lon.) s/- ..... 6 1/2  
Marsmann Inv. (H.K.) s/- ..... 2 1/2

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued Saturday, says: The market remains steady with few transactions recorded.

**Buyers**  
H.K. Banks \$1,220  
Union Ins. \$380  
Providents \$45  
Lands \$30.25  
Electric (old) \$30.40  
Electric (new) \$30.40  
Telephones (old) \$23  
Cements \$15.75

**Sellers**  
Trams 16  
Sales  
Union Ins. \$387.50  
Ropes \$8.30

## NAZIS REWARD TRAITORS

LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—Traitors in Holland who helped the Nazis are being rewarded. The German Commissioner recently appointed Dutch Nazis to legal posts and gave another the appointment of Police Chief of the Hague.

## Extraditions Sought

LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—Rumania has asked Spain and Yugoslavia for two extraditions. The former Chief of King Carol's household staff are the two required. They were among seven people tried in Rumania recently for the murder of Codreanu, the Iron Guard leader.

## PARIS IN SADDEST SUMMER

—Woman Escaped

PARIS must be looking lovely under the summer sun.

Paris with few signs of war; sandbags removed from public buildings and statues, air raid shelters pulled down.

But a Paris that is the saddest city in Europe, whose shops are closed, its people covered and despairing—city lacking milk and butter and vegetables, its streets full of German soldiers sightseeing and taking photographs.

This is the picture drawn by Mrs. Mercla Symondson, the first British woman to escape from German occupied Paris, and reach Britain.

**Fenniless**  
She was wearing the blue suit and hat in which she had made her dangerous and weary journey from Paris by goods train to Clermont-Ferrand, Marseilles, Spain, Portugal and home.

She was penniless on arrival but cheerful. This is what she said: "It was terrible to be in Paris during that first month of occupation."

"Germans flooded the city, taking all the main hotels and commandeered flats.

"They cleaned the shops of luxury goods, silk stockings and perfume, and commandeered all cars.

"Both money and food soon became scarce for Parisians. Food queues were a daily sight.

"There were about 1,000 British residents there. Many of them had tried to escape but had been turned back by the Germans.

"On the whole, the Germans left us alone though, and it was rather the French who began to resent the presence of the subtle anti-British propaganda spread among them.

**Frightened**  
"The French people who remained behind seemed to be resigned and rather frightened.

"For the English people stranded there one of the most terrible things was the lack of news.

"It was not possible to get any money either and many were suffering terrible hardships and taking any job they could do to make a living."

Mrs. Symondson, who worked in the British Leave Club in Paris during the war, managed to escape by getting herself smuggled on to a goods train with a consignment of potatoes.

## Holland Is Still In The Battle Line

Even among Dutchmen in London the false impression prevails that for the time being Holland's share in actual warfare is only nominal. This is not the case.

Though the main part of the Dutch Navy is stationed in the Far East for the protection of the Dutch Indies, a number of Dutch cruisers, destroyers, submarines and smaller craft are continually sharing the work of the British Navy in European waters.

The Dutch Air Force lost all its planes (of which there were some 400, apart from the excellent Flying Corps in the Dutch Indies) during the "Battle of Holland," but Dutch airmen are in this country where they are being retrained by the Coastal Command, regularly taking part in raids, especially over Norway.

A number of machines of the K.L.M., with full crews and ground personnel, are stationed here and have been fitted for military duty.

The formation of a Dutch Legion is therefore by no means the only, or even the most important, contribution on the part of Holland to the Allied fighting forces, although it has had most of the publicity.

A Dutch military unit has already left for the United States, and possibly Canada, where orders will be placed for war materials, probably including war planes.

## Shanghai Golf Captain Dies

Shanghai, Oct. 19. Mr. Alex Henderson, Captain of the Shanghai Golf Club, died suddenly today from heart failure, after taking part in the China Open Amateur Golf Championship in Shanghai.

A Scotsman, the late Mr. Henderson was 47 years of age and had been a resident of Shanghai for 20 years. He was a member of St. Andrew's Society and was the owner of the firm bearing his name. He is survived by his widow and daughter.—Reuter.

## Pres. Taft As An Evacuee Ship

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 20 (UP).—The S. S. President Taft left here today for the Orient to evacuate a thousand American refugees. She is equipped with extra lifeboats.

**CONN'S EASY VICTORY**  
New York, Oct. 19. Billy Conn scored an easy victory on points against Al McCoy in a ten-round non-title fight today. Conn, weighed 124 lb., and McCoy 124 lb.—United Press.

## AERIAL BATTLES OVER LONDON

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a large apartment house. The intensity of the ground fire and the number of falling bombs in the early part of the attack indicated that the Germans were battering at the capital in great force.

**Midlands Bombed**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Oct. 20 (UP).—German raiders flew low over the Midlands today. One followed a bus highway and dropped bombs harmlessly over the countryside.

Other bombs on the outskirts of London killed girl and injured her mother. Several houses were demolished. Other occupants of the Anderson shelters are safe. Apparently many raiders were turned away by the inner barrage.

**German Claim**  
BERLIN, Oct. 20 (UP).—Informed sources here say that during the last 24 hours 400 tons of bombs have been dropped in England.

"The huge quantity of bombs dropped is explained by the extraordinarily clear weather and the comparative absence of anti-aircraft guns and night fighters. This enabled the German planes to return to their bases to pick up new bombs and to shuttle back and forth for several raids," it was declared.

**Political Alignment With Axis Is Denied**  
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raid precautions. Posters appeared in the night-time all lights must be concealed and that during the following days there will be an air raid alarm during which the public must take refuge in shelters. Similar exercises will take place throughout Rumania, especially in the oil regions. 20,000 German children are expected to arrive in Rumania as refugees from Germany; they will be lodged with German families.

**Under Pressure**  
LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—Under extreme German pressure yesterday, the Yugo-Slavian Government signed a German-Yugo-Slavian trade agreement under which, in return for vague Nazi promises, Yugo-Slavia seems to become economically and diplomatically dependent on the Reich.

A clause providing for preferential treatment of Yugo-Slavia by Germany is abolished and the Germans merely promise the fullest consideration of price-fixing.

After the protocol was signed the Yugo-Slavian Foreign Minister said that nothing now stands in the way of intensified political collaboration between the two countries. This, he added, suits the interests of both parties.

**R.A.F. Hammer At Italian Bases**  
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no casualties either in the raid on Saudi Arabia or Bahrain.

It Duce had given an undertaking not to bomb Moslem territory during the feast of Ramadan and has thus broken his promise, as well as violating neutral territory.

It is obvious that the objective of the Italian attack was the important oil wells in the Persian Gulf region, both on the Bahrain Island and the mainland opposite.

It is known that neither Bahrain nor Saudi Arabia has any defences against air attack.

**Swiss Air Raid Alarms**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ZURICH, Oct. 20 (UP).—Air raid alarms were sounded to-night at Zurich, Berne and Geneva, probably signalling the recognition of the R.A.F. raids on Italian objectives after a lapse of more than one month.

Heretofore, warning sirens in Switzerland invariably meant R.A.F. raids on the industrial regions of north Italy.

The all clear signal was sounded in Zurich and Berne within half an hour after the alarm, and the Geneva warning and all clear nearly coincided with the others.

**Britain May Accept Russia's Conquests**  
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considered here to be leaving the door open for recognizing Russia's recovery of Bessarabia.

If Britain were reconciled to Bessarabia's fate their acquiescence to the return of the Baltic States to Russia might be more possible.

**Change in U.S. Attitude?**  
Foreign diplomats here say they heard several weeks ago that the British Foreign Office showed an inclination to recognize Russia's acquisition of the Baltic States, but at that time the inclination was successfully discouraged by Washington.

To-day, rumours have led some observers to wonder whether Mr. Sumner-Wellie's recent talks with the Soviet Minister in Washington, and the United States' Ambassador's contacts in Moscow might have tempted Washington to satisfy Moscow regarding the Baltic in order to forestall too close an understanding between Russia and Japan.

**VICHY, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—**Arms and a printing press are stated to have been discovered in the homes of 11 persons arrested at Lyons following the distribution of Communist leaflets, says the "Havas" agency.

## POLISH SOLDIERS

Anti-Semitism Alleged

COMPLAINTS have been made of anti-Semitism among the Polish forces in Britain. These are not denied in Polish quarters.

It is denied, however, that this feeling or its manifestation touches more than a small minority of the soldiers.

General Sikorski, in a recent order of the day, dealt with the matter, pointing out that Jews serving here have given proof of their patriotism, and says that any soldier using even expressions of contempt will be punished.

**General's Daughter**  
The General's only daughter, Mlle. Sikorska (the final "e" is the feminine variation of the name) is now in Scotland.

She is helping in the establishment of Polish hostels. Colonel Mitchell, M.P., and Lady Warrender and her committee are doing work there which is warmly appreciated by the Poles.

Mlle. Sikorska, a dark, petite girl of 24, was a noted horsewoman. She has more than a score of prizes at symphonies.

**Driving Farm Wagon**  
A more recent experience of horses was of a different kind. She stayed in Poland until March to help to organise the food supply.

Mlle. Sikorska lived on an estate 100 miles from Warsaw. She used to load a wagon with produce and drive it to Warsaw.

The single journey took the two horses several days, and Mlle. Sikorska put up at nights with peasants in remote villages.

**PISTOL SCARED ITALIAN**  
HIGH over Cagliari, Italy's seaplane base in Sardinia, the crew of a Fleet Air Arm bomber found an Italian fighter flying alongside them fifty yards away.

Neither plane could bring its guns to bear, so one of the British crew drew a revolver, fired "three rounds rapid" and the Italian made off.

"We could see that fighter pilot grinning at us from his cockpit," the bomber pilot, back at his station, said recently.

Of the raid, in which Fairey Swordfish bombers power dived from 10,000 feet almost to sea level to bomb Cagliari's harbour and airfield, the pilot said: "It was not spectacular."

"The harbour was incredibly crowded. Our first load dropped into the water but the second one disposed of two flying boats. They were there one moment, but had vanished the next."

"Out of the five seaplane hangars there we left three smoking."

**SAVAGE ASSAULT ON COAST PORTS**  
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estimated by watchers at the rate of 100 per minute could be seen on the Kent coast.

Searchlights played confusedly as they tried to pick out the British bombers and flaming oil tanks and streams of anti-aircraft shells poured into the air from German ground defences until the air appeared to be sprinkled with tracer.

**Seaplane Base Attacked**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Oct. 20 (UP).—The Admiralty announced to-day that Skua and Swordfish planes attacked the seaplane base at Tromsø scoring many direct hits. One Skua made a forced landing in neutral territory and the crew is known to be safe.

The announcement did not specify the date of the action.

**North-Holland Raids**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Oct. 20 (UP).—The Air Ministry announced that the R.A.F. attacked the railway yards at Osnabruck and also an aerodrome in north Holland despite unfavourable weather conditions; however, the scale of operations of the continent were somewhat reduced. All British planes returned safely.

**SNOWFALL IN U.S.**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Oct. 20 (UP).—There was overnight snowfall at many points of the North Atlantic seaboard including Connecticut, Maryland, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and New York.

Ohio and Michigan also experienced unseasonable cold which necessitated the cancellation of some flying schedules.

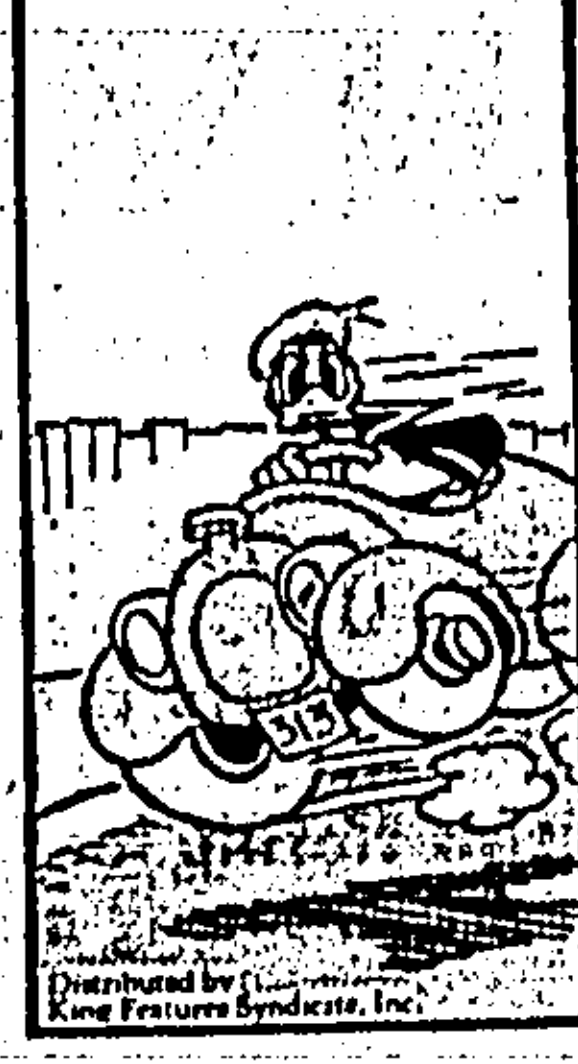
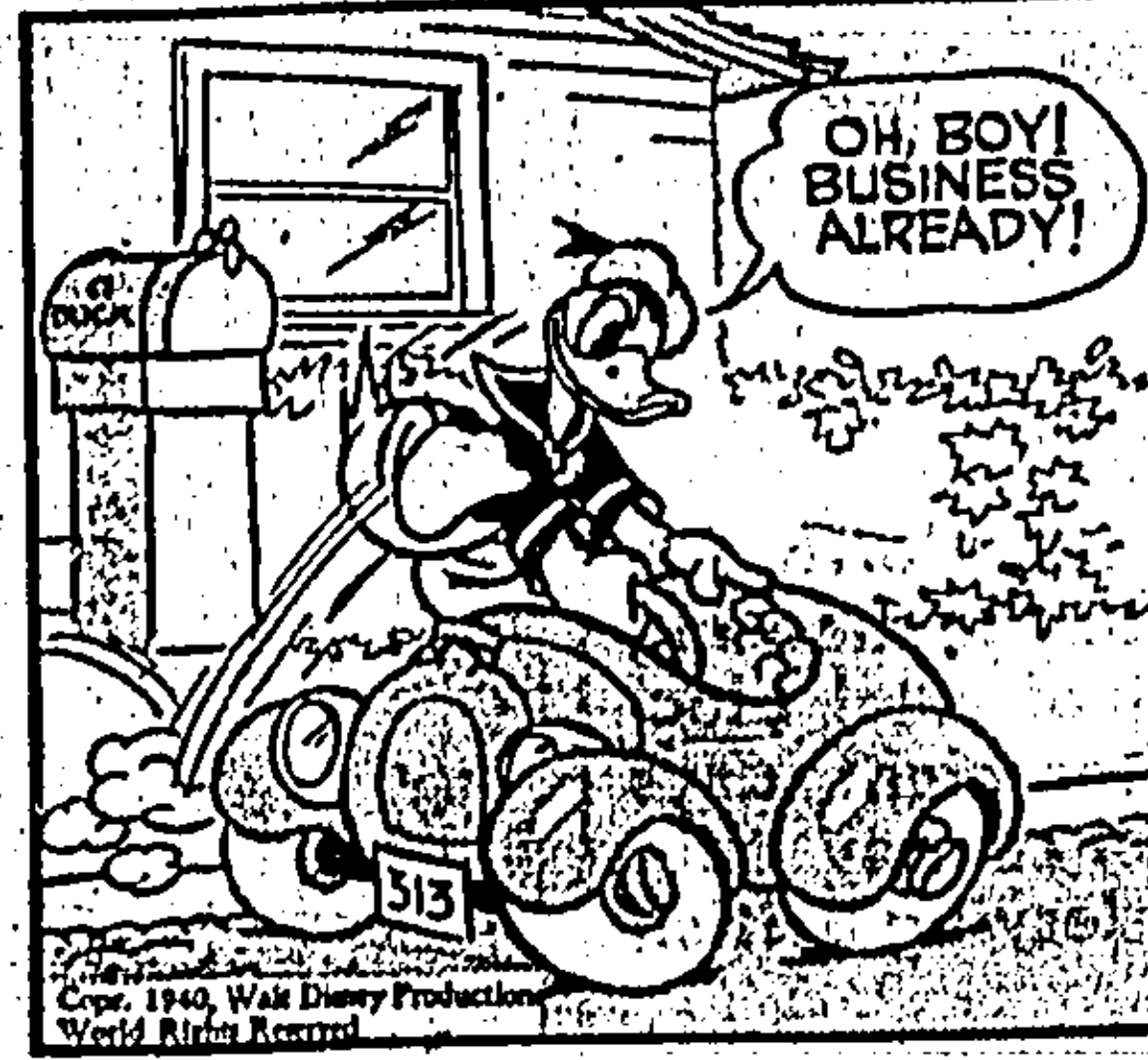
The light blanket of snow quickly disappeared at sunrise.

**Delhi Conference**  
CALCUTTA, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—The Australian delegation to the Eastern Group Conference led by Sir Walter Mayssy-Greene, arrived by air and will leave to-morrow for Delhi where the conference which is called to co-ordinate war supplies in the Empire, opens on Friday. Some members of the British Ministry of Supply mission, headed by Sir Alexander Roger, also arrived to-day.

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### DESTROYER EXCHANGE QUESTION — ANSWER

United Press

Questions and answers clarifying various aspects of the British American trade of naval base leases for destroyers.

**Q.** How many destroyers and how many naval and air base sites are involved in the transaction? **A.**—The United States is giving Great Britain 50 World War destroyers in return for 99 year leases on sites for bases in strategic places in six British possessions in the Caribbean area. Britain has thrown in two other sites—in Newfoundland and Bermuda—free of charge. The leases expire in the year 2039.

**Q.** How will the destroyers be turned over to the British? **A.**—They will be sailed by their American crews to Canada where they will be boarded by British seamen for the journey to Britain. American crews are not permitted to go into European danger zones.

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**Q.** What are the destroyers worth? **A.**—The vessels are 1,200-tonners and cost about \$400,000 each 20 years ago. They have been recommissioned in the past year at an average cost of about \$2,000 (T). New destroyers being built by the navy to-day are of about 1,600 tons and cost from two to three times as much.

**Q.** Where are the new bases to be located and when? **A.**—From the south shore of Newfoundland to coast of British Guiana in northern South America. Intermediate bases will be set up at Bermuda, the Bahamas, Jamaica, St. Lucia, Trinidad and Antigua. The exact sites will be selected by a joint Anglo-British board of naval and army experts. The American delegation has left for Bermuda.

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**Q.** Will the United States incur any expenses in taking over the sites? **A.**—Yes. Adequate naval and air facilities must be established and the United States, in addition, must pay the proper parties for any private property which is taken over to create the bases. No estimates of cost are available yet, but there are sufficient funds on hand to get the work started when the preliminaries are complete.

**Q.** Will the United States have absolute control over the leased areas? **A.**—Yes. For the 99-year period of the lease, British sources in London said that British ships and planes might share the facilities whenever necessary or possible. But President Roosevelt indicated that such an arrangement would depend upon the attitude of this country at a given time.

**Q.** Why were the British anxious to effect the trans-

actions? **A.**—Germany's aerial warfare, and more limited sea fighting, against Britain has taken a heavy toll of British destroyers. An often deadly Enemy of the submarine, the destroyer nevertheless is extremely vulnerable to the depredations of the undersea craft and bombardment from the air.

**Q.** What is the vital interest of the United States in the agreement? **A.**—The procurement of defence locations in the Caribbean area, key-stone of defence of the Panama Canal. The Canal has been called the jugular vein of American defences, for it offers a short, quick route for transfer of the fleet from the Atlantic to the Pacific, or vice versa. The Newfoundland base would be essential to preventing any aggressor from getting a foothold in Canada.

**Q.** How far will the bases project America's defence lines? **A.**—Approximately 600 to 1,000 miles out into the Atlantic.

**Q.** Are funds available to start construction of the bases? **A.**—Congressional defence committeemen say so. Mr. Roosevelt was given \$10,000,000 for establishment of auxiliary air bases, and in addition Congress gave him a \$20,000,000 (M) blank check for defence.

**Q.** Does Congress have to ratify the agreement? **A.**—According to an opinion by Attorney General Robert H. Jackson, it does not. The agreement, Jackson ruled, is not in the nature of a treaty requiring Senate ratification.

**Q.** Did Mr. Roosevelt violate any laws in his historical "deal"? **A.**—He proceeded in conformance with Jackson's construction of the law. Isolationists denounced the President's action as an act of war, a violation of law, and an usurpation of Congressional powers over treaties.

**Q.** How many destroyers does this leave in the U.S. Navy? **A.**—It leaves 151, of which 60 are the overage class, similar to those traded to Britain. Besides the 151 remaining destroyers, the navy is now building 57.

### Baby Christened In A Warship

His gas-helmet went too

A four-weeks-old baby, boy—the son of Lieut.-Commander H. C. R. Alexander, R.N.—was christened Anthony Colin Beverley aboard a cruiser at an east coast naval base. The ceremony was performed by the chaplain of the naval base.

The baby was brought to the base complete with identification card, ration book and special baby's helmet.



A ROYAL AIR FORCE BOMBING STATION AND GUNNERY SCHOOL. THE R.A.F. IS TRAINING THOUSANDS OF OBSERVER BOMBERS AND AIR GUNNERS.  
1. An Air Gunner at gunnery practice in the air firing at a towed target.  
2. A rear gunner operating his two guns in his turret in the tail of his aircraft.  
3. Instructional bomb sight. A pupil in the School using a bomb sight on the ground, later he uses it in the air.  
4. A pupil getting thoroughly acquainted with a power operated turret. There are several of these turrets about the station into which the pupils can jump and spend their spare time.

## WHEN THE SIREN SOUNDS

IT is surprising how people who have been through precisely similar ordeals recently in areas which have been visited by Nazi bombers react to the strain in totally different ways.

Most of our people display that measure of contempt for all the enemy does or can do, which is typical of British character generally when faced with trials. But it is not how you act during a raid that counts. The effect of losing sleep for several nights on end, or of living in a constant state of apprehension, weighs down many people who, in the actual moment of danger, are perfectly calm and courageous.

Obviously since in these times we may be deprived of our sleep for part of the time when we are at rest, we need to make the most of the hours of sleep which are permitted us. Well, to do that we must aim at dropping off to peaceful slumber as soon as we turn in—or, if there has been a raid, immediately we can return to bed. How can that be managed?

### Sleep Is Vital

First, raids or no raids, try always to turn in at the same hour. Sleep is a habit; if we do not have it, we must make it. To get into it, we must work hours, we must eat, we must drink, we must sleep. It is a habit, and it is vital, if you want to keep fit and

This is an article a well-known doctor wrote for the people of Britain. It gives a number of hints for the preservation of health in time of strain.

well in these days, to acquire a sound sleep habit.

If when you go to bed your mind is full of worry as to whether you'll be able to wake in the morning, should your night have been disturbed by a raid warning, cut that all out immediately. How? Simply by buying an alarm clock!

And if there is a warning don't spend the time in your dug-out or refuge room munching chocolate or drinking tea, for that will tend to rob you of the rest you might otherwise get when "All-clear" paves the path back to bed.

Bombs dropping make an unpleasant sound, as most of us have learned. They are apt to make the stomach "quirt over." A glass of water in the shelter is a help, for a sip or two will often help to mellow the stomach feel more normal.

By the bedside, too, it is a good plan to keep a glass of milk. In the night you may wake with that unpleasant "aching" feeling, especially in these troubled times when apprehension adds such ill-effects to the normal effects of a raid. A sip of milk will help much. A sip, mark you, not a drink! Sleeping warm milk on retiring after a raid is better from the

sleep point of view than drinking tea. Too much smoking does not help, though in periods of strain most of us probably tend to "strengthen the nerves" with extra cigarettes. Sleep is likely to suffer.

If you have to miss a good deal of sleep owing to the enemy's encroachments on slumber-times don't worry yourself unduly and feel sure that you will fall seriously ill. Try to get good, sound sleep for a full eight hours or so as soon as you can, and that is about all you can do to remedy matters, for contrary to a rather common impression you can't "catch up on sleep."

### Have Something To Do

There are still some people who fail to realise how useful it is for everybody in a home to have some task or other to perform when the sirens start their weird wailing sounds.

If you agreed job is to carry a chair into the shelter, small though the task is, it helps you to have something to think about.

It is impossible in your dug-out, try to keep up a pleasant conversation!

I remember once being under extremely heavy bombing, plus shell-fire, during the last war, and almost forgetting it all as I listened to a comrade's highly amusing account of similar experiences. We can't all be first-rate conversationalists as that padre certainly was, but a general talk on sport or anything which is likely to grip the interest of all present is a splendid help.

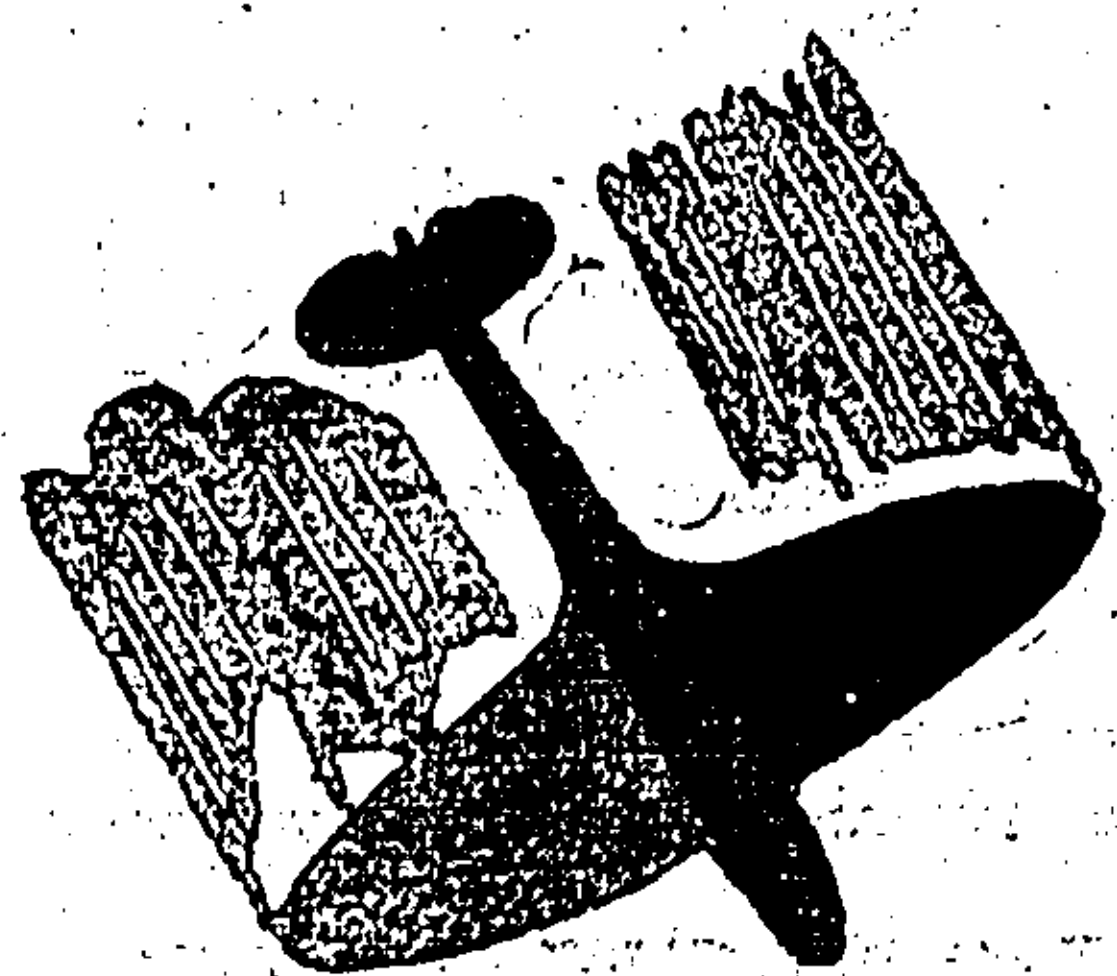
## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS  
1—High military hat  
6—Fixed amount of work  
11—Those who post  
12—Toas  
13—Italian man's name  
14—More sturdy  
17—Fuss  
18—Cider  
20—Sheep's cry  
21—Wield  
22—Lateness  
23—Sharp in A  
24—Nasal sound  
25—Actual being  
26—God of marriage  
27—Click beetle  
28—Jocund evil spirit  
29—Lateness  
30—Strategic name  
31—Excuse to action  
32—Disturbance of water  
33—Condiment  
34—Legal code  
35—Vegetable  
36—Street writers  
37—Concerning  
38—Large tree  
39—Expert  
40—Professional athlete (plural)  
41—Divorce payment  
42—Fatum away  
43—Take away

DOWN  
1—Knowledge (Scottish)  
2—Command  
3—Fruitful  
4—Heavy liquid  
5—India (poetical)  
6—East Indian deputy  
7—Sound of grief  
8—Material for joining  
9—Sewer pipe  
10—Chicken  
11—Betray  
12—Dress  
13—Location  
14—New Eastern people  
15—Sharp in A  
16—Printer's measure  
17—Geometrical drawing  
18—Write correctly  
19—Sliced type  
20—Sole island  
21—To share in D  
22—Sole island  
23—Spray; sloppily  
24—Woman  
25—Agreement  
26—Neon light  
27—More suitable  
28—Scatter  
29—Mimic  
30—Scottish  
31—Crowd  
32—Vocalist  
33—Japanese sahn  
34—Japanese coin

1—Small fish  
2—Hawaiian post  
3—Roman recess



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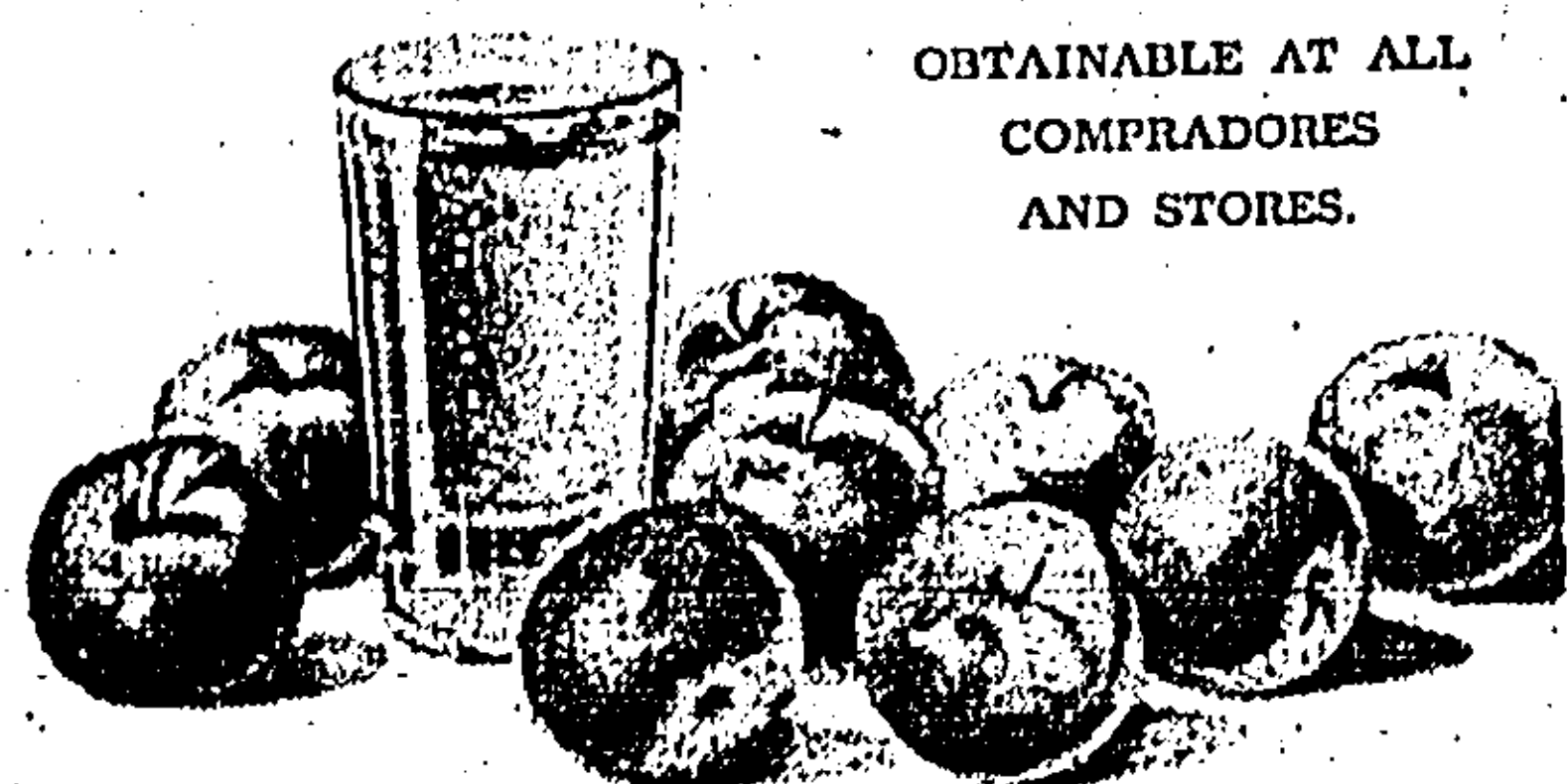
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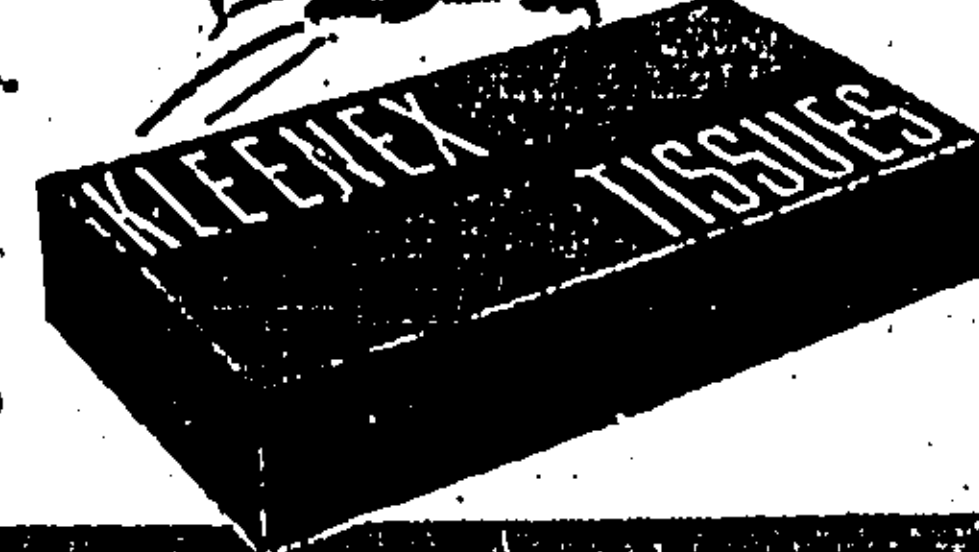
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## Champions of Civilization

IT is said that some animals can lose a leg without knowing it. Is civilization like that? Or is it awake to its peril? Listening to accounts of the bombing of London one wonders. Other cities, other peoples have been subjected to this kind of crime—the Chinese, the Ethiopians, the Spaniards, the Poles, the Finns, the Norwegians, the Belgians, and French. Ruthless aggressors have spared no treasure of person or possession. Now they unleash on one of the greatest capitals of civilization their boasted utmost of destruction. Will what remains of the civilized world be merely horrified or will it arouse itself to make sure that this shall not happen again, that the new barbarism shall be turned back for good?

All these peoples have been champions of civilization. Too often they have fought alone. To-day Britain fights alone. And this struggle over London is the complete symbol of the largely unseen struggle of civilization against barbarism to-day. Every pilot of the Royal Air Force, every bargee at the Thames docks, every humble householder in the East End is a champion of world culture and Christianity. After all the hair-splitting over the war's causes, all the totalitarians' twisted propaganda, all weighing of past mistakes, that is the simple fact.

Those who cherish the best the human spirit has known sense this situation. They are not like the animal which can lose a leg without knowing it. And they must give thanks daily for the kind of champions that now defend civilization. The spirit of the British people against odds which no one dared count is beyond praise. Its magnificent courage has been truly voiced by Mr. Winston Churchill, its spiritual strength by Lord Halifax. And its heroic self-sacrifice by the little home-owner near a vital airport who surveyed the ruins of his house and said: "When they hit us they miss the aerodrome." But one of the most confident tributes to the British people's

# BRITISH CONVOY

By Brydon Taves

United Press Special Correspondent

Aboard a British destroyer, in the North Atlantic, September 3, (UP).—Germany is shooting the works to make good its threat of total blockade of the British Isles but after eight days aboard a little British flotilla leader I can say that hundreds of ships are entering and leaving British ports each week.

German submarine and air attacks marked my voyage. Not one day passed without action. The British crew was either manning gun and depth charge stations to fight off a U-boat or manning anti-aircraft stations to fight attacking planes.

I saw one British merchantman take a long range torpedo squarely amid ships and sink within a half hour. The next day our destroyer evened the score.

A "Tin Fish", meant for us, missed by a scant thirty feet as we whipped around it. Then we rocked from the concussion of our own depth charges and I saw an oil patch spread slowly over the surface, marking that U-boat's end.

The destroyer was engaged in a typical convoy job, and its duties were something between those of a conscientious sheep dog and a sister of charity leading a bunch of orphans across Times Square.

We were one destroyer and one smaller warship escorting a thirty ship convoy spread over fifteen square miles of ocean. Watching the line of hulls stretching out behind us, I remembered what a naval officer in a convoy control room in a West coast port told me, just before I sailed.

"Give me fifty over-age American destroyers", he said, "and I will guarantee to cut our shipping losses by considerably more than 50 per cent."

Our destroyer was more than twenty years old but she could do thirty knots without straining and could turn around on a dime. Her captain told me proudly that he could stop her dead within her own length when moving at twelve knots.

Our operation orders were to take an outwardbound convoy to a point near mid-Atlantic, out of range of subs, and then pick up an incoming convoy and shepherd it through the danger

area, to coastal waters, where it would be divided, the ships proceeding to various ports.

On the fifth day, after we had picked up the big inward bound convoy of almost fifty ships, a submarine appeared. We were plowing through heavy seas. The tail end of a gale was blowing. I was on the bridge. There was a dull boom among the ships stretched behind us and a column of smoke rose from the side of the leading ship on the port string of freighters about a half mile away.

The destroyer lurched so quickly as it wheeled around that in a moment our bows were scooping up mountains of sea, hurling them back high over the bridge and into the yard arms in geysers of spray and foam.

The torpedo was fired from a safe distance of as much as five miles into the middle of the convoy. Such long range shots, which U-boat captains are said to favour increasingly, are hit or miss. They generally have less effect when they hit and this is why many ships lately hit by torpedoes have been damaged but not sunk.

This shot was lucky. It struck a 4,000 ton freighter squarely abeam. Our captain signalled a sloop that had joined us that morning to help track down the U-boat, while the smaller warship nicknamed was sent to pick up survivors.

In the gathering darkness our search was virtually hopeless. We were drenched to the skin when we gave up and rejoined the convoy. Our detectors had not picked up a trace of the U-boat. We found twenty-six survivors from the freighter, but five were missing and presumed killed by the torpedo explosion.

The next day a U-boat paid for the lucky shot. It was slightly calmer. We had just



CAN'T YOU STOP THAT NOISE OUTSIDE.

finished lunch. The call came: "Man the depth charge stations!" We raced up the steps to the deck.

"Heart Disease" had just signalled a torpedo track that passed twenty feet behind her stern. It came from the opposite side of the convoy and the torpedo must have passed through the column of ships without scraping one.

The commodore of the convoy signalled an emergency turn and the whole convoy veered in unison to starboard and plodded on. We swung into a "sweep" at twenty-five knots and raced beyond the inverted convoy.

After twenty minutes I began to think that "Heart Disease" merely had had jitters. Suddenly a blue and yellow "attack" signal ran up her yard and she loosed a depth charge. We picked up the U-boat ourselves a few minutes later, wallowed for a moment as the captain took his detector bearings, and then lunged to attack.

We fired depth charges. Some one on the bridge shouted. A line of bubbles and spray moved across the port bow, about thirty feet from us. It was a torpedo, but it appeared to be spent.

A big Sunderland flying boat appeared overhead. Our signal lamp flashed "U-boat somewhere around here" and like a big bird the Sunderland banked and began skimming the water ahead of us. A smoke flame dropped from her wing and she circled back to it. I saw a bomb leave her racks and ex-

plode dully beneath the surface. The Sunderland came back, dived low, let go three bombs that hit in quick succession and sent great spouts into the air.

Our detectors picked up a U-boat moving slowly away from us. It was very close.

The captain sent the destroyer full speed ahead and great walls of water circled around the bows and lashed our faces as we clung to the rocking bridge.

"Stand by, depth charges!"

"Fire one!"

"Fire two!"

"Fire three!"

Three big tins hurtled from the stern. There was a moment's silence after they splashed. Then the whole surface of the water seemed to shiver and the ship rocked crazily. The air around us shimmered as on a hot summer day. The charges went deep and there were no geysers on the surface.

There was a new patch of oil, spreading and bubbling. Our detectors heard nothing more.

The Sunderland signalled: "What do you think?"

Our captain answered: "I think he's dead. I can find no trace of him now."

The Sunderland hovered around the convoy the rest of the day.

Signal lamps blinked between the flying boat and the surface boat saying:

"Good bye."

"God bless you."

"You too."

And the flying boat disappeared into the dusk, in the direction of England.

## THE GLASS AGE HAS ARRIVED...

AIR raids are making work for glass manufacturers and inspiring intensified research to discover a new, cheap, unbreakable window glass.

The first safety glass was discovered by accident. A French chemist dropped a bottle and was surprised to find that its fragments held together through a celluloid film from an evaporated mixture of chemicals which the bottle had contained.

Now there is a glass so strong that it will bend long before breaking point. It is made of two sheets of glass with a space between filled with specially treated glass. Even when the outer sheath breaks, the filling runs away like sand.

Glass has uncertain habits. It can become ill. It can be frightened to death. The maladies of sick glass are known to every expert collector of fine pieces. The housewife knows how glass that has been boxed up for years will lose its lustre. The connoisseur knows of glass-sickness which hair-cracks the entire surface of a vessel.

staying power comes from the writings of an American:

Let who will fall, England will not. These people have set here a thousand years, and here will continue to sit. They will not break up or arrive at any desperate revolution, like their neighbours; for they have as much confidence of character, as they ever had.

Emerson wrote that a hundred years ago. It is true to-day. And all who give thanks for those who stand so staunchly in the front line can find means of making their gratitude effective.

Glasses dim and grow wet and die. In other words, they break to pieces, and many wonderful examples have been lost to the world in this fashion.

Glass cookery utensils, even frying-pans, long since became familiar. To-day the originators of heat-resistant glass have produced a "shrunk glass" capable of standing up to a temperature change of 3,600 degs. One of its oddities is that, after its first fashioning, it has to go into the oven again and be shrunk, hence the name.

Another new kind of fireproof can be twisted, pierced with nails, even planed like wood. Armour-plate glass has been evolved from sand, soda, and lime. It withstands the shock of heavy gunfire and refuses to splinter.

When smashed the fragments remain together, making the glass gas-proof. Among its domestic uses is a glass oven door to enable the cook to know what is happening inside the oven.

Then there is one-way glass—millions of tiny crystals so arranged to comb out the light that you can see out, but cannot see in. It is useful in hotels and blocks of offices—where dozens of windows face a common courtyard.

To save metal, we shall soon be using glass door bolts, and to save wood, glass rolling-pins. Glass cloth and finely-spun glass-silk, impervious to the troubles of ordinary fabrics,

## FUNNY SIDE UP

By Abner Dean



"I can't confide in nobody to-day... It says so in my horoscope!"

are coming into demand. I wool, and furniture are emerg-

ing. I have seen a man playing on a glass fiddle. I have heard a shipping man discussing the new processes of painting a ship with liquid glass.

We are living in the glass age. Some people living in pre-troubles. Glass bricks can be obtained in black or light proof glass. Glass "paper," thread, impunity.



# GERMAN PLANES THWARTED

## Fail To Reach London

LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—Following up last night's raids, the Germans were again busy to-day, but few machines succeeded in getting through to London which, however, had experienced five alert periods by late afternoon.

A formation of enemy fighters and bombers crossed the Kent coast at a number of points but each time found both A.A. defences and interceptor planes ready for them.

Most turned tail but among those which got through were two single machines. These dropped five bombs on the outskirts of London, fortunately on roads and fields.

A.A. guns on the Thames Estuary were twice in action during the afternoon.

**Bomber In City Street**  
A yellow-faced Messerschmitt bomber was shot down in a London street this afternoon. The pilot was killed.

Another is believed to have been brought down off the coast. It was seen streaking off to France with a fighter plane in pursuit and smoke coming from the German machine. The fighter returned later and did a "Victory" roll.

**Seven Nazis Drowned**  
LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—It is now officially stated that seven German aircraft were destroyed to-day.

Berlin claimed that nine British planes were shot down in the Sunday raids, and that three German machines had not returned to their bases. His were claimed on important military installations in London and on a troop encampment in south-west England.

**Southeast Attacked**  
LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—Operating at a great height, German planes to-day were mainly over southeast England.

The damage they did, says an Air Ministry communique, was not heavy nor were casualties numerous. Five of the Nazi planes were destroyed.

The raiders were mostly fighters or fighter-bombers which crossed the Kent coast in formation on several occasions during the morning and afternoon looking for London and the Thames Estuary.

Some succeeded in reaching London and bombs were dropped on London, Kent and Essex but none reported from elsewhere.

Five attempts in all were made to reach London from the Thames Estuary but British interceptors were there each time and, after the A.A. batteries had given the raiders some salvoes three force dogfights took place over two towns.

Two of the enemy fighters three times attacked the balloon barrage at Dover harbour but were driven off by anti-aircraft guns without shooting down a single balloon.

**Using Sub-Stratosphere**  
LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—The German air force is using the sub-stratosphere more and more in the daylight raids on Britain. The raiders commonly cross the coast at 30,000 feet and make for London. Interception at that height is difficult since the manoeuvrability of the fighter is very much reduced near its ceiling where the controls are apt to be sluggish.

The enemy is also well out of range of A.A. batteries. These tactics account chiefly for the small losses of the Luftwaffe recently and for the fact that on several occasions their losses have been no more, and sometimes less, than ours.

The almost exclusive use of Messerschmitts 100 and 110 has greatly reduced the area of attack on England.

# Egypt Maintains Fair Economy Despite War

CAIRO, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—During the past five months, the railway revenue of Egypt has increased by £239,000 and the harbour dues by £172,000 because of the arrival of troops and war material from the British Empire.

These figures prove that both the Mediterranean and the Red Sea are completely under British control.

The wheels of commerce and industry are turning smoothly since what little Egypt lost externally she is picking up in local trade. Some £500,000 normally spent abroad, now stays at home, while Britain is spending two millions annually in Egypt for the maintenance of troops and for war purposes.

It is true that the local cotton trade has been hit but Britain has helped to relieve the situation by purchases amounting to £3,000,000.

Recent precautionary measures include the allotment of funds for the protection of reservoir catchments in the event of air raids and the burning of stocks of commodities. Steps are being taken to swell the country's coal reserves and the State railways have decided to buy 5,000 tons of coal from Natal at 18s. 6d. per ton to be delivered in Egypt at a freight rate of 70s.

## Faithful Turkey; A Comparison

ISTANBUL, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—A unanimous expression of faith in Mr. Eden's mission to the Middle East and in an intensification of action by Great Britain against the Axis Powers, is contained in the Turkish press to-day.

The newspaper "Tan" comments: "Hitler's ambitions envisage a string of conquests such as were obtained by Alexander the Great and it is perhaps in the Middle East that Alexander the Great's terrible fate awaits him."

# CHANNEL GUN DUEL

## The War's Biggest Bombardment

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" FOLKESTONE, Oct. 20 (UP).

British long range guns to-day started the biggest bombardment of the war shortly before noon, firing salvo after salvo across the Straits of Dover in the direction of Cape Gris Nez.

In reply the German guns shelled nearby waters for over an hour, shells arriving in twos and threes every few minutes.

The Straits of Dover was brightly sunlit, but a shroud of mist made it impossible to see exactly what was happening.

It seems as though the Germans attempted blindly to shell British ships moving through the Channel.

# Hundreds Of U.S. Planes For Britain

LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—American aircraft are now reaching England in hundreds and the number will steadily increase next year, said Lord Latham, in a short speech immediately on landing in England from America via Lisbon.

American rearmament was rapidly getting into its stride, he said, and American opinion now realised the necessity of backing up Great Britain. A tremendous impression has been created in the United States by the way the public is taking the London raids.

Lord Latham expects to remain in England about three weeks. He will have a few days holiday in Scotland before returning to London for consultations with the Government.

**Production Speed-Up**  
LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—The United States army has asked American aeroplane factories to do 24 hour shifts, said Lord Latham in an interview shortly after his arrival in England.

The British envoy to America added: "I think the factories are doing it."

# NAZIS DENY NEW PENETRATIONS

BUCHAREST, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—Two more official denials were given here concerning German penetration into Rumania.

The reports published abroad that a German division has arrived in the oil region of Ploesti are denied.

It is similarly denied that 30 German merchant vessels, loaded with armaments, have reached Rumania.

# Peace Commission Plane Crashes

Sunk In Mediterranean  
LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—Vichy announced to-day that three French and four German members of the Armistice Control Commission were killed in an air disaster on October 10.

The plane in which they were travelling crashed in the Mediterranean.

Six German non-commissioned officers and men also perished.

Some bodies have been washed ashore.

The announcement says that the plane "was undoubtedly caught in a storm."

A search by German and French planes failed to locate any wreckage.

# Mr. Eden In Jerusalem

JERUSALEM, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—Mr. Anthony Eden, Secretary of State for War, arrived at Jerusalem on Thursday, according to an official announcement issued to-night.

He was accompanied by General Sir Archibald Wavell, Commander-in-Chief in the Middle East.

Mr. Eden inspected many units of the Egyptian army in Palestine. A detachment of the Arab Legion formed a Guard of Honour when Mr. Eden visited Amman on Friday and was received by Emir Abdullah of Trans-Jordan.

Later Mr. Eden saw a desert patrol of the Arab Legion and a unit of the Trans-Jordan Frontier Force.

# Premier To Speak

LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—The Premier will broadcast to the French nation to-morrow at 7.35 p.m.G.M.T., speaking first in English, then in French.

# French Ambassador In Kunming

KUNMING, Oct. 21 (Central News).—M. Henri Cosme, French Ambassador to China, arrived yesterday afternoon in Kunming from French Indo-China by express train during an air raid alarm. He is leaving to-day for Chungking by

# Chinese Education In The War

Chinese Education in the War, by Hubert Freyn, published by Kelly & Walsh.

The China that was born with the Revolution of 1912 is a nation whose movements are epic not only because of the physical vastness of things Chinese, but because of the elemental heroism of the people's struggle to emerge together through the curtain of centuries of the purely Oriental way of living to the practical things which the twentieth century has thrust before them.

One of the things China is learning to do is to defend herself; another, the subject of Mr. Freyn's book, is to teach her children.

It is a glorious tribute to the soundness of the foundation of the New China (not the Japanese concept), that education is still one of the main objects for which she strives while beating back the invader from her innermost fastnesses.

The story of that struggle is worthy to take its place among the annals of the world. Unversities crushed to the ground, brutally out-raged and shattered to the winds with deliberate wantonness have been set up again in primitive form far in the interior. Scholars and their students have unquestioningly picked up their few text books and trekked thousands of miles—literally thousands of miles—with the most inadequate forms of transport—to hear the word of culture. China has refused to let the Sino-Japanese war brutalise her. She looks ahead to the end of wars.

It is a pity that this particular subject should be published in such a cheap form as "Chinese Education in the War." Though its cheapness (it is a paper bound volume) will make it available to many, the subject is worthy of more ambitious treatment and should be a book that one would be proud to have in one's library.—G.

# Rescued From Sea

**Airmen Save Sailors**  
LONDON, Oct. 20 (British Wireless).—After being adrift nine hours, 24 survivors of a British naval vessel were recently rescued by Patrolling Blenheims of the R.A.F. Coastal Command.

Seeing a white speck flitting on the sea, the patrol found a raft and several floats filled with men one of whom was vigorously waving a white rag. Two of the Blenheims remained while the third, having dropped its own dinghy, returned to report to the base. Highspeed motor boats put out and picked up the men.

# AUSSIE PILOTS READY SOON

LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—"Highly-trained Australian pilots, observers, wireless operators and air gunners will be in the thick of the fight early next year," the Australian Air Minister stated, according to the Sydney radio.

The Minister also said that further results of the Empire Air Scheme would be in evidence next month when numbers of pilots would have completed their course.

Stating that the scheme would involve an expenditure of nearly £25,000,000 within the next two years, the Minister added that the monthly quota of pilots, observers and other personnel was being speeded up.

# U.S. Embassy Still In London

LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—The Berlin radio report that the American Embassy in London has moved to another city is denied here by an official who said: "We are still doing business at the old stand."

# FOOCHOW CONSUL

FOOCHOW, Oct. 21 (Central News).—Mr. Robert S. Ward, U.S. Consul in Foochow, will be transferred to Hongkong as Consul. He is leaving for the British Colony toward the end of October.

# CHEERFUL MR. CHURCHILL

LONDON, Oct. 20. (Reuter).—Mr. Winston Churchill is astounding his Cabinet colleagues by his inexhaustible energy and freshness of mind.

Speaking to a North of England audience on Saturday, Lord Lloyd, Secretary for the Colonies, added that he had never seen the Prime Minister in better heart than he is these days.

"We all feel better about the war than we did. We have been through great calamities and catastrophes, yet here we are to-day with the Army and Navy in the greatest fettle."

# Chinese Dies Completing A Mission

Just Left Hongkong  
CHUNGKING, Oct. 20 (Central News).—Mr. Chang Shantao, famous Chinese poet-painter, who returned to China recently from a tour abroad, passed away in Chungking yesterday morning at the age of 62.

A native of Soochow, Chang learned how to paint from his mother and later developed his technique to near perfection by using alive tigers which he had several in pre-war days as models.

In the winter of 1938, the National Relief Commission sent Chang abroad to raise funds, which he successfully did in Paris, New York, Chicago, Boston, Philadelphia and Hollywood exhibitions. The greatest attraction of his paintings was "China Roar," a simple but forceful work of a sleeping lion roaring atop a mountain.

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt invited Artist Chang to the White House more than once.

He arrived in Hongkong by the s.s. City of Newport News on September 25. During his brief stay here he gave an exhibition of his paintings at St. Francis Hotel which attracted many visitors.

He left for Chungking by plane on October 4. Not long after his arrival there he fell sick.

# Jews Want To Battle Alongside Britons

LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—We have reason and hope to expect that at long last the war services of Jews in Palestine will be used, declared Paul Goodman, presiding at the annual conference in London of the Zionist Federation of Britain and Ireland.

The speaker added that Jews in Palestine could be relied on to do their utmost to defend all those British interests of which the country was the nerve centre.

Criticising the Petain Government, for their treatment of the Jews, Goodman said it was the overwhelming tragedy of France; there was nothing that stood more to France's discredit or would manifest so pathetically her debasement, as the policy of making Jews the scape-goats for the military defence of a France in whose defence 60,000 Jews of various nationalities had fought.

The Conference pledged full support of the war and called on the British Government to raise a Jewish army under the British flag and to mobilise all the resources of Palestine for the war effort.

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# TAKE THE LIMELIGHT

## Turkey, Bulgaria And Greece

LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—The limelight moved this week-end from Rumania which is now *de facto* if not *de jure* under the German heel, further south to Turkey, Bulgaria and Greece.

Mr. G. W. Rendall, the British Minister in Sofia, has gone to Istanbul to see his colleague, Sir Hugh Knatchbull-Hugessen and, says Reuter's diplomatic correspondent, before leaving he had a long talk with King Boris so that he is able to acquaint his colleague with the King's attitude to the new moves in the Balkans—some idea of which it is possible to deduce from the fact that the German press has launched a fierce campaign against King Boris.

**What Axis Hope**  
Sir Hugh has seen Mr. Sarajoglu, the Turkish Foreign Minister, and he may be able to throw some light on the reaction of Turkey towards a possible Axis push further into the Balkans which will no doubt be influenced by the attitude of Soviet Russia.

No doubt the Axis Powers are hoping that Greece will submit tamely, as did Rumania, but with such an object lesson before her eyes, Athens is unlikely to fall into the same trap. In this she has the support of a British guarantee backed up by the British Navy.

# SUNER HAS TALK WITH HIMMLER

LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—Senator Serrano Sun, Spain's new Foreign Minister, had a talk with Herr Himmler, Chief of the German Secret Police, who arrived in Madrid to-day. Suner accompanied the German to the World Palace where he was received by General Franco who, according to the Lyons Radio, had a conversation lasting an hour with him.

# Col. Knox Appeals To Servicemen

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—Colonel Knox, Secretary for the Navy, in a special Navy Day message, urges servicemen to keep the United States Navy strong, efficient and ready "in this serious time in the nation's history."

The outspoken aim of the recent tripartite pact, he added, was application of pressure on all nations not at war, including the United States.

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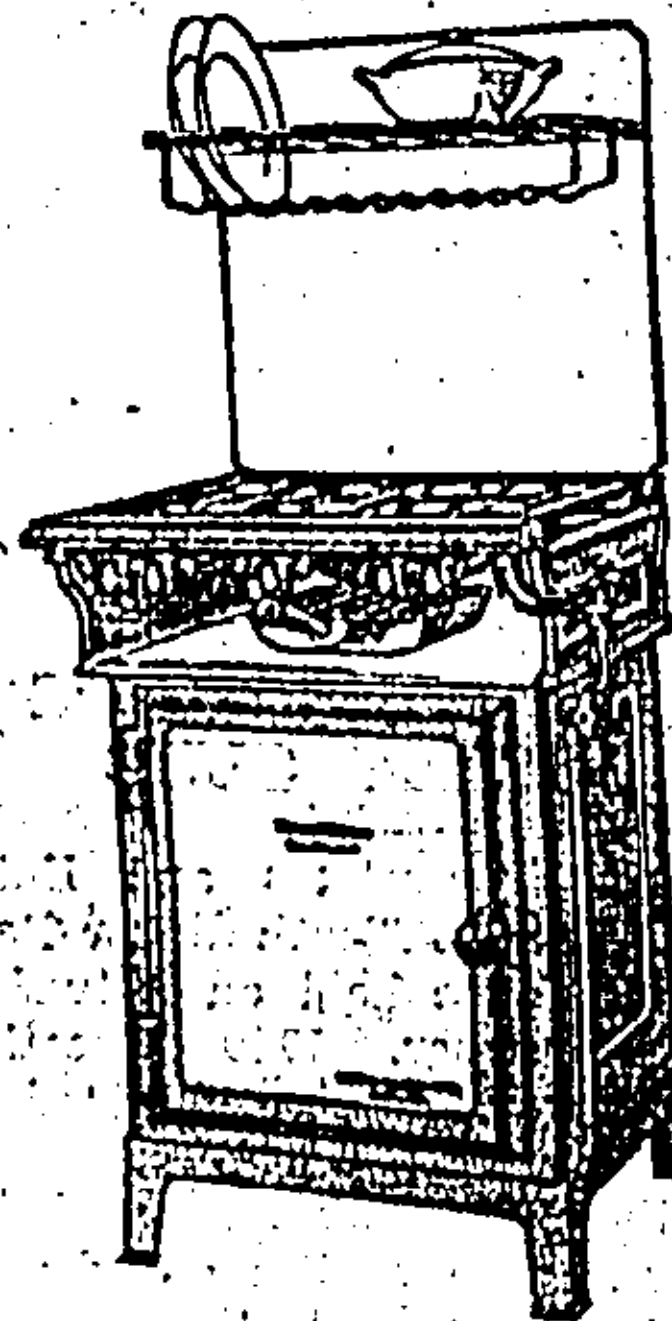
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# Soldiers Charged For Using Road

# Home Guards To Pay Toll Fine—2d. Each

MEMBERS of Penarth Home Guard are to march in procession to the local police station to pay—and protest against—a 10s. fine imposed on one of their section leaders who refused to pay a shilling toll for driving his car along the Cardiff-Penarth road on official duties.

So that a colleague should not go to jail, the Home Guard will give two-pence each towards the fine, and pay it in small change after making their protest.

While the Home Guard were making this decision, Lord Plymouth, one of the owners of the road, who is also chairman of the Welsh Territorial Association, said "I did not know until to-day the case had been brought before the court. The management of the toll road is not in my hands. But I will go into the question of whether the Home Guard can use the road without paying a toll."

## Lord Bute's Interest

Chief interest in the toll road is held by Lord Bute, who recently sold half of Cardiff to a syndicate. The chief of his legal department refused to comment on the case. He said: "The magistrates gave their decision. We shall say nothing more."

Mr. Morgan said: "My wife has persuaded me not to go to jail, but to allow the Home Guard to protest instead."

have to pay if they are in their own cars. Even ambulances do not escape.

Penarth Council have protested against the toll which they say has restricted the town's growth.

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FOR CONSTIPATION  
A protest meeting is also to be held in Penarth where most residents, to avoid paying the tolls, use another route to Cardiff. This is two miles longer, and involves driving up a steep hill. At the tollgate private cars pay a shilling a day, and buses two shillings each time they pass. Lorries with trailers are charged four shillings.  
Soldiers on duty and in uniform





# Splendid Bowling Seen In International Series

## VOLUNTEER BOWLS TOURNEY

Seven matches in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps bowling competition for the China Mail Challenge Cup were played yesterday. Results:

At Kowloon Bowling Green  
Field Coy. Eng. "A" beat Stanley Platoon "B" 12-10. L/Cpl. L. Sykes, Capt. Bottomley, Cpl. J. L. Stephens and C.Q.M.S. A. Spary beat Pte. W. Webber, Pte. R. Grady, Pte. J. M. Cuthbert and Pte. A. Jillett, in the second round.

Stanley Platoon "A" beat No. 2 Coy. "B" 24-12. Pte. S. Hodge, Pte. S. H. Marvin, Lt. J. W. Fitzgerald and Sgt. W. J. Bagley beat L/Cpl. Connolly, Pte. Musker, Cpl. Hillon and Sgt. Stanton, in the first round.

At Club de Recreo  
1st Battery "B" beat No. 2 Coy. "A" 24-23. Cnr. Lockhart, Cnr. Stone, Cnr. Clemow and Sgt. Jack beat Pte. R. Lapley, Pte. M. Macle, Pte. Macmaster and Pte. Revie, in the preliminary round.

Field Coy. Eng. "C" beat Field Ammunition Coy. "A" 24-14. Spr. A. M. Calhoun, Spr. G. O'Neil, Spr. R. Lapley and Spr. R. Morrison beat Pte. A. F. Noronha, L/Cpl. J. A. Remedios, Pte. A. M. Rumjahn and Lt. A. M. Rodriguez, in the second round.

1st Battery "A" beat No. 2 Coy. "A" 10-16. Cnr. Morrison, Cnr. Carr, Cnr. Bickford and Cpl. Watson beat Pte. Coull, Pte. McKie, L/Cpl. Gillies and Pte. Bownard, in the preliminary round.

Field Ammunition "B" beat 2nd Battery, 10-16. Pte. A. Roza, Pte. Higgs, Sgt. R. Leigh and Sgt. A. Steven beat B.S. M. Ross, Sgt. Lloyd, Sgt. Carr and Sgt. Sheriff, in the second round.

At Kowloon Football Club  
A.S.C. Coy. "A" beat No. 2 Coy. "C" 30-14. Cpl. Cullen, Sgt. Hyde, Sgt. Meyer and Pte. Kern beat Pte. Curtis, Pte. Morrison, Pte. Gill and Capt. Brown, in the preliminary round.

**INDIA, PHILIPPINES AND IRELAND enter the second round of the Gutierrez International Shield yesterday by defeating Portugal, China and Malaya respectively on the Kowloon Football Club green.**

As to be expected, the best bowls of the day was seen in the India-Portugal match in which U. M. Omar and C. G. Silva, the two leading skips of the League, were in opposition. India scored on 11 heads against Portugal's ten but finished up 17-12 to the good chiefly because even when they could not score they were able to keep their opponents' score down to singles and doubles. In fact, of the ten heads registered by Portugal, no fewer than eight were singles, the rest being twos.

While the Indian No. 1 and 2 held their own against the Luz brothers, there is no doubt that the Omar brothers had the better of F. V. Ribeiro and C. G. Silva. Time and again K. M. came up to lay the shot, and when he failed U. M. more often than not managed to do so. The standard of play was very high in this encounter—which perhaps only to be expected with two skips like U. M. Omar and Carlos Silva up against each other.

**IRELAND THROUGH**  
Actually Ireland defeated Malaya by 20-20, but the margin would not have been so wide had M. R. Abbas, the Malayan skip, not taken his counter out with his last wood in a desperate attempt to "burn" the Jack in the last head. The Irish men were leading by three shots and when the skips went down, Malaya lay one but Ireland had two seconds. Abbas failed to add to Malaya's score with his first wood and with no back woods, his only hope was to "burn" the Jack. He not only failed to do what he wanted but took out his own shot! And W. V. Field, the Irish skip, added another.

Malaya made a late rally but left their effort too late. Bakar was the best of the losers, while of the winners, everyone bowled steadily. China held her own in the first ten heads against the Philippines, but thereafter, a four, two and six on successive heads spells her doom. Philippines finished up on the winning end of a 33-16 score.

The following were the detailed scores:

India	Philippines	Portugal
A. H. Rumjahn	J. A. da Luz	A. M. Rumjahn
A. M. Rumjahn	R. F. da Luz	K. M. Omar
K. M. Omar	F. V. Ribeiro	C. G. Silva
U. M. Omar	C. G. Silva	
2	2	1
2	2	2
3	3	3
4	4	4
5	5	5
6	6	6
7	7	7
8	8	8

# SING TAO WORTHY WINNERS: BUT FLATTERED BY SCORE

(By "Scrambler")



HEADS UP! A midfield incident in the soccer match played yesterday between Sing Tao and the Navy on the Club ground. The Chinese won by 5-2.—Ming Yuen.

Revealing splendid form, the Sing Tao 1st XI defeated Royal Navy yesterday on the Club ground before a capacity crowd by 5-2. The score cannot be taken as a criterion of the play, as the Navy had as much of the play as the Sing Tao, and only their hesitancy in parting with the ball, coupled with their lack of cohesion, prevented them from adding to their score. Whereas Sing Tao indulged in pretty passing, the Navy were far too individualistic.

There was more understanding and team play in the Sing Tao's eleven. As a schemer, Fung King-chung was there whenever needed, and his co-operation with his other forwards was a treat to watch.

The whole of the Chinese forward line played well together. The wingers, Tang Kwong-sun and Ip Pak-wah, had many runs down the field and their centres invariably split danger to the Navy goal. The inside trio of Fung King-chung, Kwok Ying-kie and Lai Shui-wing still constitute a threat to any senior team, and their short interpassing had the Navy defenders guessing time and again. The diminutive centre forward is a bag of tricks in himself, and his two goals were the result of good positional play and opportunism.

**SOONG ALERT**  
Of the Chinese defenders, the half back trio had as much work to do as their opponents. Soong Ling-sing, although limping during the greater part of the game, put in a lot of useful work. Besides policing Hendy, who was as evasive as ever, Soong found time in feeding his forwards with nice ground passes. Of the two wing-halves, Lau Ting-sang was slightly better than Taul Ah-fai. He had a much faster man in Philipps to attend to, and still found time to come up to help his forwards whenever wanted. Taul Ah-fai, at left half, went about his work unobtrusively, and had the measure of Bourne for the greater part of the game. Of the two backs, they were steady as usual, and perhaps with the aid given by their front men, they did not appear to be overworked. Cheong Wing-choy, in goal, did not have much to do.

Of the Navy players, there were too much individualism in their play. If they had been able to put in the same understanding as the Chinese, they would have scored with many goals. Hendy led his men well, being very conspicuous in his foraging. He was ever a thorn in the Chinese side, and with LePage on his right, these two very often brought the ball right up to the Chinese goal only to be robbed by not parting with it earlier. Honeywell, Croft and Britt had all their work cut in looking after the alpine Chinese forwards, with the result that they were unable to give their forwards the attention they very much needed.

Roughley was staid than Honeywell at back; the latter falter under heavy pressure. Giff did not seem to be his usual self. His letting of the ball in itself was faulty. But he could not have done much with the goals scored against him.

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(By "Fly-Half")

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Army have a very sound pack and a good pair of halves, and although the three played well to win they were far from reliable. Dropped passes and knock-ons were frequent when a try was almost certain. The heat, which affected all alike, may have had much to do with this, but it is a thing Army have to watch if they want to carry off premier honours.

March was the chief culprit, but the other three were no less blameworthy, especially Douglass in the first half. It appeared that most of the mistakes were caused by passes which went just that much too far forward for the receiver to take.

Many clean breakaways by the Army were broken up by the Club full-back, Thompson, who played, in my opinion, his best game to date and by wee Jimmie Thomson, who got back to lend the full back grand support. The banker caught and tackled faultlessly and, with improvement in kicking and avoidance of the mistake of hanging on too long, will solve Club's full back vacancy caused through Henderson's absence from the Colony.

**BOSANQUET WAS SLOW**  
Bosanquet, seen little in attack, lay too far back in defence and was slow in coming up on Richards (Army) who is a man to confine in space as he has a strong run. Character was the only other Club player worthy of commendation outside Thompson, Thomson and Aitkenhead. The last-mentioned kicked well to touch in the face of the quick-breaking Army wing forwards.

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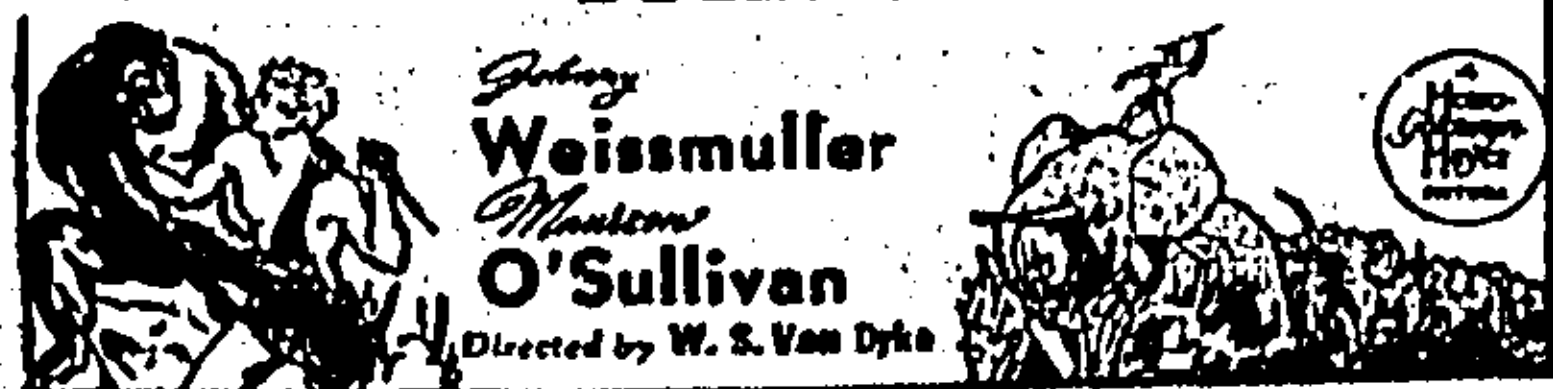
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## NEW PRESS LAW QUESTIONED IN COMMONS

### M. P. Says Anderson Has 'Goebbels' Power

THERE WAS A SHARP FIGHT IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS OVER THE DEFENCE REGULATION WHICH GIVES THE HOME SECRETARY POWER TO SUPPRESS ANY NEWSPAPER.

He may do so without any reference to a court or to Parliament if, in his opinion, it has systematically published matter calculated to promote opposition to the war.

Sir John Anderson dug his heels in and declared that so long as he was Home Secretary he would not shrink from these powers which, in ordinary times, he said, he would view with repugnance.

Mr. S. S. Silverman (Lab., Nelson and Colne) raised the matter by moving for the annulment of Regulation "2 d."

#### One-Man Decision

He asserted that the regulation gave the Home Secretary "complete power over the whole Press of this country, and places him in a position no whit inferior to that occupied by Dr. Goebbels in Germany in the matter of control of newspapers."

Commander King Hall (Nat. Lab., Ormskirk) did not see why one man should have the power of decision on what is or is not prejudicial to the successful prosecution of the war. Mr. Glenvil Hall (Lab., Colne Valley) declared that suspicious existed in the minds of many people that liberties of people were being improperly handed over to the Home Secretary.

Sir John Anderson jumped in to counter-attack. He was obviously in no defensive mood.

He began by agreeing that "the fullest possible liberty, consistent with vital national interests, should be allowed to the Press." But the issue before them, he said, was whether freedom of expression of opinion should entail freedom to assist an enemy by systematic publication of matter calculated to foment opposition to the successful prosecution of the war.

#### Nightmare Perils

As for the suggestion that the powers might be used wantonly, no Home Secretary would dare to take action without the approval of the War Cabinet.

The regulation was admittedly posed to perils "that most of us have never imagined even in a nightmare." But Mr. P. saw no very compelling argument in all this, and continued to press for some form of judicial appeal.

Sir Richard Acland (L., Barnstaple) said that again and again in past months the Home Secretary had come to the House and described a set of terrible circumstances which might occur.

But the powers he sought went far beyond the emergency he described. Finally Sir John Anderson repeated his procedure of the Emergency Powers Bill, and called on Sir Donald Somervell, the Attorney-General, to help him.

This time the Attorney-General did not announce surrender, but supported the Home Secretary's refusal to yield.

Mr. E. Shinnell, in a powerful speech, said that in a panic situation he would much prefer to leave matters to a court rather than to a House of Commons, in which he thought they were all influenced by partisan considerations.

He pleaded with the Home Secretary and the Attorney-General not to be stubborn and obstinate. Both of them, however, remained stubborn and obstinate.

Mr. Silverman's "prayer" was refused by 98 to 60, a majority of only 38.

#### 'Reactionary' Tax

Earlier in the evening, during discussion on the Budget resolutions, Mr. G. Isaacs, Labour M. P. for Southwark, had fought against a different kind of danger to the Press. The Purchase Tax was being applied to printed matter, he said, at a time when the printing industry was going through an unprecedented state of unemployment.

Yet newspapers were essential, and periodicals had been a blessing in the blackout, and they would be again.

Mr. D. Adams (Lab., Consett) described the newspaper tax as reactionary.

It was a tax upon knowledge, because the newspapers did convey a great deal of knowledge to the community.

The retail trade, he supposed, would have to add an additional halfpenny.

### Forbidden City Sends Gifts To The Fleet

THREE HUNDRED pounds of special wool are on their way from the forbidden city of Lhasa, Tibet, to be made into thick socks for British sailors on war patrol in the North Sea.

The wool is the gift of Kusho Ringang, a Tibetan official, who was educated in Rugby. He gave it to Mr. Gould, political official in Sikkin, when he left Lhasa two months ago after attending the installation ceremonies of the new Dalai Lama.

#### Gifts For Viceroy

Mr. Gould is the bearer of a letter and five cases of gifts from His Holiness the Dalai Lama to Lord Linlithgow Viceroy of India. The departure of the British representative was attended by a picturesque Tibetan ceremony.

Ao Tibetan regiment provided a guard of honour and, at the customary place, three miles outside Lhasa, representatives of the Regent, Prime Minister, Tibetan Cabinet and Lord Chamberlain presented farewell salutes.

During his stay in Lhasa, Mr. Gould paid official visits to the Dalai Lama, the Regent Prime Minister and Cabinet.

#### Hospital Constructed

Gifts to Mr. Gould included several horses and valuable examples of Tibetan and Chinese art. The Tibetan Government has constructed a hospital in Lhasa, which, though less than two months since the plans were approved, is already sufficiently far advanced to accommodate several cataract cases.

### HUSBANDS COOK THE DINNER

Wives Have Left

Wimbledon husbands whose wives have been evacuated are taking cooking lessons at the local technical college.

I went to see them doing their "home work"—cooking solitary Sunday dinners—and making a good job of it, too.

Mr. J. Fielding, of Aylward-road, had decided on cheese pudding. "But I like grilling things best," he said to me. "I grill everything I can—even eggs. Yes, I put the bacon into a patty tin and put the bacon rasher on top."

"The bacon fat drips on to the egg and makes it taste twice as nice. Then I put the bacon on the hot-plate and finish off the egg."

Miss Florence E. Morkam has 11 men in her cookery class at the college, and she says they learn more quickly than women.

"I'm teaching them not only how to cook," she said, "but the right kind of food to choose and how to buy it."

I spoke to another husband who is a keen member of the class. He is Mr. Jack Smith of Coombe-lane. Mr. Smith's wife is not evacuated. But he joined the class because he has always liked cooking and wanted to know more about it.

"You see," he explained, "I've lived most of my life in Australia, and I had to do my own cooking out there. It's always useful to know how to dish up a good meal."

### War Damage Claims Not Disclosed

London, Aug. 26: According to the Daily Telegraph while it is not possible for the Authorities to disclose the number of claims in respect of the Government's commodity insurance, it is said that some have been made and met by the companies dealing with the matter.

The amount claimed so far is comparatively very small having regard to the sum in the fund which now exceeds £30,000,000.

scribed the newspaper tax as reactionary.

It was a tax upon knowledge, because the newspapers did convey a great deal of knowledge to the community.

The retail trade, he supposed, would have to add an additional halfpenny.

## INDUSTRY REPLACES FLANDERS LOSSES

### MORE GUNS & TANKS THAN WE HAD BEFORE

WORKING day and night British factories have more than replaced war equipment which the B.E.F. had to leave behind in the evacuation of Flanders and France.

More than 1,000 guns and great quantities of other materials were lost there.

By going without holidays British workers have built up a great reserve of guns, other weapons, transport vehicles, and everything necessary for carrying on the war on a grand scale.

And now comes a breathing space. The Minister of Labour will announce the resumption of holidays in all industries.

#### With Pay

But after that those who have worked at their benches and machines through the period of acute emergency will have their reward.

Some employers, not on war work, have taken advantage of the situation to cancel all holidays where there has been no legal obligation to give them.

Now the Ministry of Labour will ask for the resumption of both paid and unpaid holidays, in the interests of the workers' health and efficiency.

To avoid the closing down of factories, holidays in the war industries

Thus there will be no "wakes" weeks in the north this year.

The fighting forces have plenty of war material now, more than before the Battle of France—and most of it is in Britain.

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Railway Travel Free For Troops

London, Aug. 26: The War Office have announced that arrangements have been made with the railway companies for free travelling for members of the Forces and corresponding women's services at ten main line stations in the provinces where there is a Railway Traffic Office or a canteen recognised by the War Office.

Pilot Finishes His Job

London, Aug. 26: After an R.A.F. Pilot had attacked Abbeville aerodrome and started a fire he was on his way home when he found that only his incendiary bombs had dropped when the switches were pressed and his high explosive bombs were still in their racks. He thereupon flew back to Abbeville and bombed a second time.

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## Sunday's Blitzkrieg By Royal Air Force

# SAVAGE ASSAULT ON COAST PORTS

Special to the "Telegraph"

FOLKESTONE, Oct. 21 (UP).—Royal Air Force planes are shuttling back and forth in swarms across the English Channel at ten minute intervals, heaping havoc on "Hitler's invasion ports."

All last night and so far to-day the British planes have been carrying out the most savage assault of the whole war on the French coast held by the Nazis.

Tons of bombs have been crashing, sometimes at the rate of 100 per minute, spreading a path of fiery destruction after a duel of unprecedented intensity between British and German long-range guns across the Channel.

### Like Thunder

The bombardment began about 7 p.m. yesterday and the explosions reverberated like thunder over Kent where windows rattled and ornaments crashed to the floor.

During the afternoon the Germans fired over fifty shells at a residential district of Dover where a few houses and a church were struck. One person was killed and two injured. At sunset the Germans fired two more salvoes.

In the afternoon, too, a Messerschmidt was shot down over Dover. The pilot escaped with minor wounds. He approached a farmer sobbing "No Messerschmidt. No Luck. No luck."

### Flushing Blasted

DOVER, Oct. 20 (UP).—The R.A.F. bombardment of the French coast at Flushing for over four hours to-night appears to have been more heavy than any previous operation.

The flights were going on every 10 or 12 minutes and a total of hundreds of tons of bombs must have been dropped.

## ANOTHER £1,000 FOR BOMBERS

A further cheque for £1,000, making the eleventh instalment, was handed to the Hongkong Government this morning for telegraphic transfer to the Imperial Government, London, for the purchase of bombing planes. This brings the total remitted from the War Fund inaugurated by the "S. C. M. Post" and "The Hongkong Telegraph" to £285,389 19s. 6d. On Saturday, the dollar total amounted to \$1,369,886.26.

After each terrific series of explosions there would be a lull of about 10 minutes and then another blast. On ordinary nights, they drop a stick of four or five bombs at targets and then return and drop more. To-night, they dropped all their bombs at once.

There is a full moon, low mist and the sea is calm. People flocked to the shore to watch the raid.

### Spectacular Show

LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—The Royal Air Force staged a terrific and spectacular attack on the French coast shortly after dusk to-day. The bombing was so violent that the ground on the English side of the Channel quivered as salvoes of bombs were dropped.

The bombing appeared to be concentrated on the German long range gun emplacements near Cap Gris Nez. Although a low mist hung over the sea, flashes of exploding bombs, TURN to Page 2, Column Six

## PREMIER SAW IT SHOT DOWN

When Mr. Winston Churchill paid a visit recently to Britain's front line on the southeast coast, he walked straight into a fierce air raid during which he saw Nazi planes sent hurtling to the ground. Amongst them was the plane pictured here which, as can be seen, was still smouldering when the photograph was taken. Scenes like this have been common around the coasts of England.



## AERIAL BATTLES OVER LONDON

Sunday's Constant Action

By WALLACE CARROLL

UNITED PRESS STAFF CORRESPONDENT

LONDON, Oct. 21 (UP).—British and German planes are repeatedly clashing over London and southern England and the raiders last night were still crossing the Channel, braving the booming defences in attempts to bomb the British capital.

Anti-aircraft batteries were in action at dusk yesterday and German bombs rumbled in the streets while planes darted swiftly over the heart of the city. During the early part of the night raid the barking-guns of London's outer defences kept up an unbroken barrage.

The German formations appeared in relays over the counties surrounding London and spread fanwise over the metropolitan area.

### Widespread Forays

German planes were also reported over Liverpool, Wales, a town in southwest England and elsewhere, indicating the widespread nature of the night forays.

London city had little rest for more than 24 hours. There were five closely spaced alarms which kept the people on the alert virtually all day.

The last all clear had scarcely sounded when the Germans arrived for their night attack. Flares were showered down in the outer London area at the outset of the night raid. These were followed by high explosive bombs adding to the casualties and damage which had been growing slowly but steadily from the daylight alarms.

One bomb exploded in a street smashing windows and the cornice of TURN to Page 2, Column Six

## Britain May Accept Russia's Conquests

Latest London Theories

By FREDERICK KUH

UNITED PRESS STAFF CORRESPONDENT

LONDON, Oct. 20 (UP).—Acting on Sir Stafford Cripps' advice the British Government is considering recognizing Russia's absorption of the three Baltic States, the final decision on which awaits the current consultations in Washington, according to unconfirmed reports here.

One version termed the recognition as being likely. It was explained that the proposed concession to Moscow is being weighed in order to facilitate four-power talks concerning the Far East.

It is suggested that Britain might meet the Soviet's wishes regarding the Baltic States to make possible concerted policy between Britain, the United States, Russia and China against Japanese expansion. Inquiries among official quarters drew a negative answer.

### No Change in Attitude

"There is no change in Britain's attitude towards the merger of the Baltic States and Russia. Mr. Churchill's declaration in the House of Commons recently that Britain will refuse to recognize territorial changes made under duress during the war still stands," official quarters told "United Press."

Some observers think this comment is misleading because they recall that Mr. Churchill's declaration condemned the forced cession of Transylvania to Hungary, but that he significantly omitted to mention Bessarabia. That omission is widely TURN to Page 2, Column Six

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## Air Action In Mediterranean Intensifies

# R.A.F. HAMMER AT ITALIAN BASES

CAIRO, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—The R.A.F. hammered away this week-end with increased strength at Italian bases and shipping in Libya.

A communique to-night reports that yesterday R.A.F. bombers straddled a line of ships at the outer harbour mole of Ben Ghazi and caused a large fire at the Berka barracks.

The barracks' telephone exchange and military headquarters at Ben Ghazi had been hit in raids on the previous night, of which details are now available.

West of Bardia, bombs fell on barracks and a large concentration of motor transport.

At Hallaya (Hillfire Pass), near Sollum, bombs fell among anti-aircraft guns at the military camp and at Bug Bug, on anti-aircraft emplacements.

Another attack was made on Moritz in the Dodecanese Islands on the same night but the damage was not observed.

Diredawa was visited and attacks on hangars there caused explosions followed by fires.

Bahrain Island, in the Persian Gulf, was bombed by four Italian aircraft shortly after midnight but very little damage was caused and there were no casualties.

### Communique

All R.A.F. machines returned safely, it is announced in a communique which states "Aircraft of the South African Air Force operating from the Sudan, raided Barentu (Abyssinia) aerodrome yesterday with considerable success. Three Italian fighters on the runway were shot up and burned out, while six other aircraft were dispersed over the aerodrome, were severely damaged by gunfire but did not catch fire."

"R.A.F. bombers carried out several raids on Gura which resulted in explosions and fires among buildings which could be seen 15 minutes after the aircraft left the target on their way home."

### Night Raids

"Night raids were carried out at Diredawa, bombs falling across railway buildings and hangars."

"In North Africa, raids were carried out on Sollum, the Dodecanese Islands and Benghazi."

"At Sollum bombs fell on military concentrations and a camp. At Rhodes Island, direct hits were scored on administrative buildings near the aerodrome; also on the hangar."

"Bombs fell among vessels moored on the south side of the Mole d'Italia at Benghazi while incendiary bombs also fell on the quay adjoining."

One merchant ship is believed to have been hit."

### Italian Retaliate

CAIRO, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—Italian aircraft have bombed two independent Moslem states—Saudi Arabia and the little island of Bahrain in the Persian Gulf.

The raiders flew over the Holy Land near the city of Mecca.

It is learned here that there were TURN to Page 2, Column Four

## Rumania Due To Join Axis

### German Warning

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BUCHAREST, Oct. 20 (UP).—The Nazi organ in Bucharest, "Angeblatt," to-day published a warning to the other Balkan States that Rumania is expected at any moment to join the Axis.

The paper also urges the other Balkan States to follow suit.

This coincides with the enforcement of emergency measures here to deal with the possibility. The orders include a complete blackout from midnight to dawn effective immediately and to continue indefinitely.

## Italians Bomb American Oil Wells

### Bahrain Is. Raid

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 20, (UP).—The Standard Oil Company has been advised that the company's holdings on the Arabian island of Bahrain were bombed by Italian planes on Saturday.

The resulting damage was negligible and no American workers were injured.

A Cairo message says that according to information received by British sources, Italian bombers on Saturday attacked oil wells owned by the Standard Oil Company's interests on the mainland of Saudi Arabia.

The oil wells are situated on the mainland opposite the Bahrain Islands which were also raided.

## CARROLL ALLCOT MAY LEAVE SHAI

### Life In Danger

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
MANILA, Oct. 21 (UP).—Mr. Hallat Abend, the "New York Times" correspondent, has arrived in Manila en route to a roving assignment which includes Singapore and Rangoon.

The trip is being taken partly on advice from United States officials and friends of Mr. Abend, who fear for the safety of his life as a result of increasing Japanese threats.

It is reported that Mr. Carroll Allcot, the American radio commentator in Shanghai, who is also on Nanking's foreign "Black List," and who wears a bullet-proof vest because of threats made to his life, is coming to Manila from Shanghai.

It is declared that Mr. Allcot intends to write a book.

## FIVE KILLED IN PLANE CRASH

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
MARIANNA, Arkansas, Oct. 20 (UP).—A show pilot and four out of 16 passengers were killed in a plane crash here to-day when the pilot unsuccessfully attempted to catch a parachute jumper in mid air and the parachute failed to open.

## LATEST

## Military Mission For China, Report

SHANGHAI, Oct. 21 (Reuter).—A British military mission is expected to leave England shortly for China to assist the National Government, reports the "Ta Yeh Yeh Pao."

The paper also reports that completion of the evacuation of American citizens from the Japanese-occupied areas, the American Government will instruct the American consulates to close down and will adopt stronger measures against Japan.

See Back Page For  
Further Late News

## Standard Oil Forced Out?

### Report Of Tientsin Branch

CHUNGKING, Oct. 21 (Central News).—A Shanghai dispatch states that, owing to Japan's strict control over petroleum in North China, the Standard-Vacuum Oil Co. in Tientsin has decided to wind up its business.

The Chinese staff members have been paid off and the American staff members have arrived in Shanghai ready to return to America.

No comment could be obtained from the Hongkong Office.

## Thailand Pressure On Indo-China Increases

Special to the "Telegraph"

BANGKOK, Oct. 20 (UP).—In a nationwide broadcast this evening the Thai Premier urged the people to remain cool and calm and await the Government's decision regarding the disputed territory.

He indicated that the French Commission would not be acceptable unless it was authorized to negotiate for the return of the Luang Prabang, and Pakse territories, as well as the demarcation of the Mekong border.

He said "To give just a demarcation on the Mekong border will not wipe out the thousands already done. We are determined to get back our lost territory and we will get it back. Every effort will be made, without

resorting to force, but if force is inevitable, war will be waged with the minimum of bloodshed."

One thousand farmers this afternoon marched on the Defence Ministry demonstrating that they wanted armed action if the French refuse to return the former Thai territory.

The farmers carried rice, bananas, coconuts and other produce, as an example of what they would offer the nation in the event of war.

## GIBRALTAR TIGHTENS DEFENCES

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ALGECIRAS, Oct. 20 (Domel).—All ships passing Gibraltar recently and refusing to obey light signals to halt have been compelled to stop by gun-fire.

During the past few nights and early on Friday morning particularly the sound of gunfire from Gibraltar has been audible here.

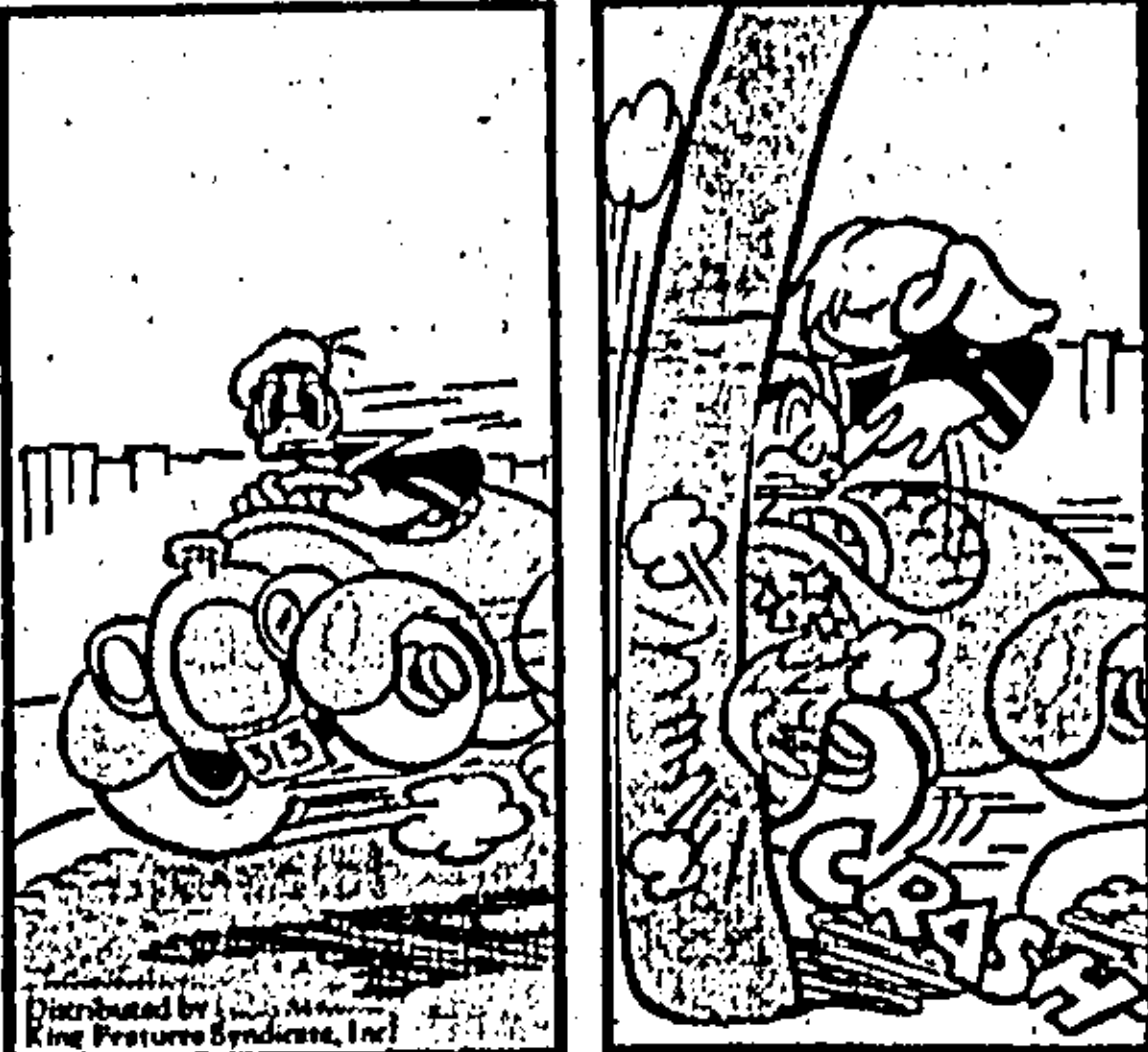
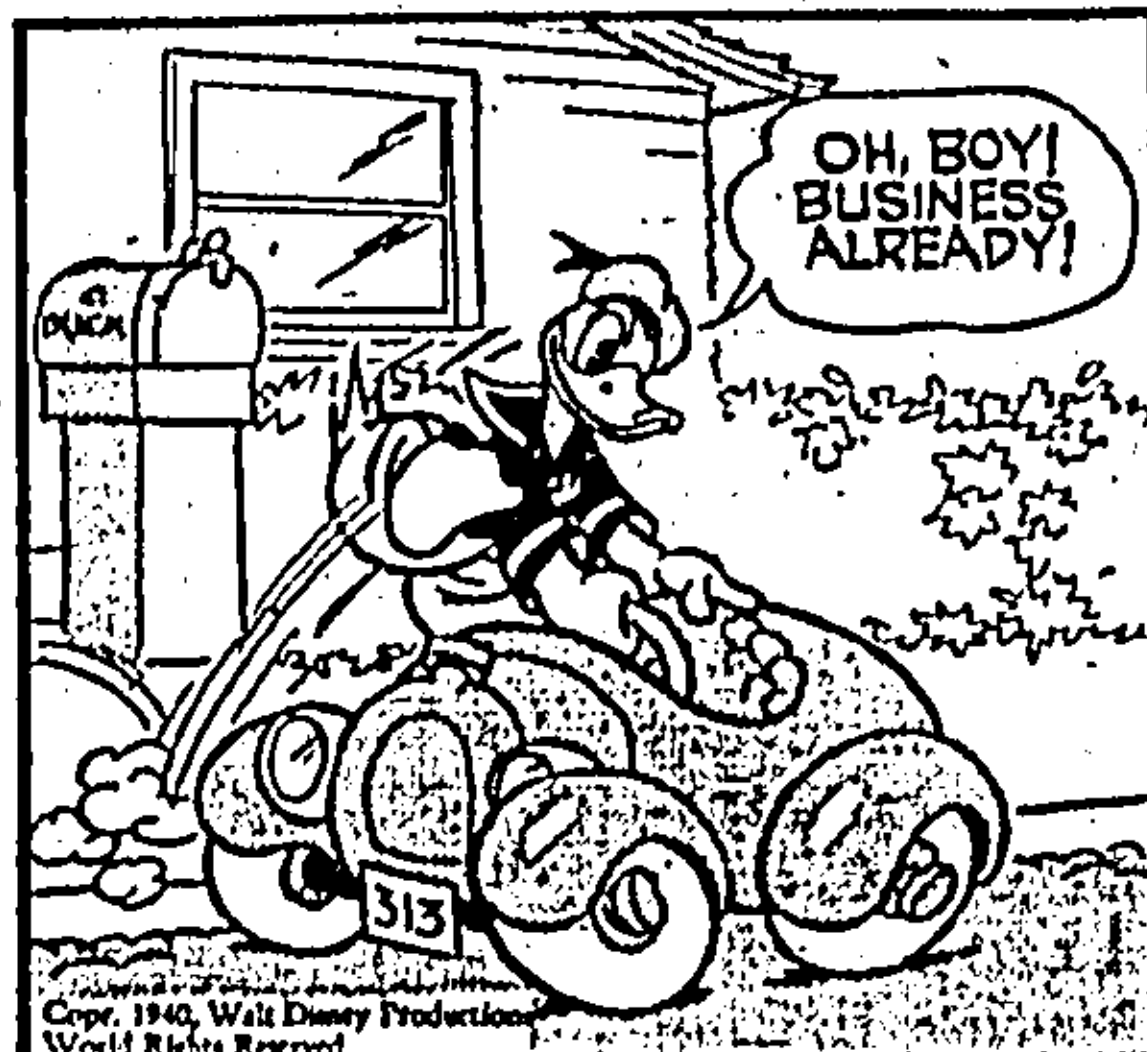
Meanwhile, it is reported that all British subjects between the ages of 18 and 41 years in Gibraltar have been called up for military service. It is believed that they will be employed in armament plants at Gibraltar.







# DONALD DUCK



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### DESTROYER EXCHANGE QUESTION — ANSWER

United Press

Questions and answers clarifying various aspects of the British American trade of naval base leases for destroyers.

Q. How many destroyers and how many naval and air base sites are involved in the transaction? A.—The United States is giving Great Britain 50 World War destroyers in return for 99 year leases on sites for bases in strategic places in six British possessions in the Caribbean area. Britain has thrown in two other sites—in Newfoundland and Bermuda—free of charge. The leases expire in the year 2039.

Q. How will the destroyers be turned over to the British? A.—They will be sailed by their American crews to Canada where they will be boarded by British seamen for the journey to Britain. American crews are not permitted to go into European danger zones.

Q. What are the destroyers worth? A.—The vessels are 1,200-tonners and cost about £400,000 each 20 years ago. They have been recommissioned in the past year at an average cost of about £2,000 (T). New destroyers being built by the navy to-day are of about 1,600 tons and cost from two to three times as much.

Q. Where are the new bases to be located and when? A.—From the south shore of Newfoundland to coast of British Guiana in northern South America. Intermediate bases will be set up at Bermuda, the Bahamas, Jamaica, St. Lucia, Trinidad and Antigua. The exact sites will be selected by a joint Anglo-British board of naval and army experts. The American delegation has left for Bermuda.

Q. Will the United States incur any expenses in taking over the sites? A.—Yes. Adequate naval and air facilities must be established and the United States, in addition, must pay the proper parties for any private property which is taken over to create the bases. No estimates of cost are available yet, but there are sufficient funds on hand to get the work started when the preliminaries are complete.

Q. Will the United States have absolute control over the leased areas? A.—Yes. For the 99-year period of the lease. British sources in London said that British ships and planes might share the facilities whenever necessary or possible. But President Roosevelt indicated that such an arrangement would depend upon the attitude of this country at a given time.

Q. Why were the British anxious to effect the trans-

actions? A.—Germany's aerial warfare, and more limited sea fighting, against Britain has taken a heavy toll of British destroyers. An often deadly Enemy of the submarine, the destroyer nevertheless is extremely vulnerable to the depredations of the undersea craft and bombardment from the air.

Q. What is the vital interest of the United States in the agreement? A.—The procurement of defence locations in the Caribbean area, key-stone of defence of the Panama Canal. The Canal has been called the jugular vein of American defences, for it offers a short, quick route for transfer of the fleet from the Atlantic to the Pacific, or vice versa. The Newfoundland base would be essential to preventing any aggressor from getting a foothold in Canada.

Q. How far will the bases project America's defence lines? A.—Approximately 500 to 1,000 miles out into the Atlantic.

Q. Are funds available to start construction of the bases? A.—Congressional defence committees say so. Mr. Roosevelt was given \$10,000,000 for establishment of auxiliary air bases, and in addition Congress gave him a \$20,000,000 (M) blank check for defence.

Q. Does Congress have to ratify the agreement? A.—According to an opinion by Attorney General Robert H. Jackson, it does not. The agreement, Jackson ruled, is not in the nature of a treaty requiring Senate ratification.

Q. Did Mr. Roosevelt violate any laws in his historical "deal"? A.—He proceeded in conformance with Jackson's construction of the law. Isolationists denounced the President's action as an act of war, a violation of law, and an usurpation of Congressional powers over treaties.

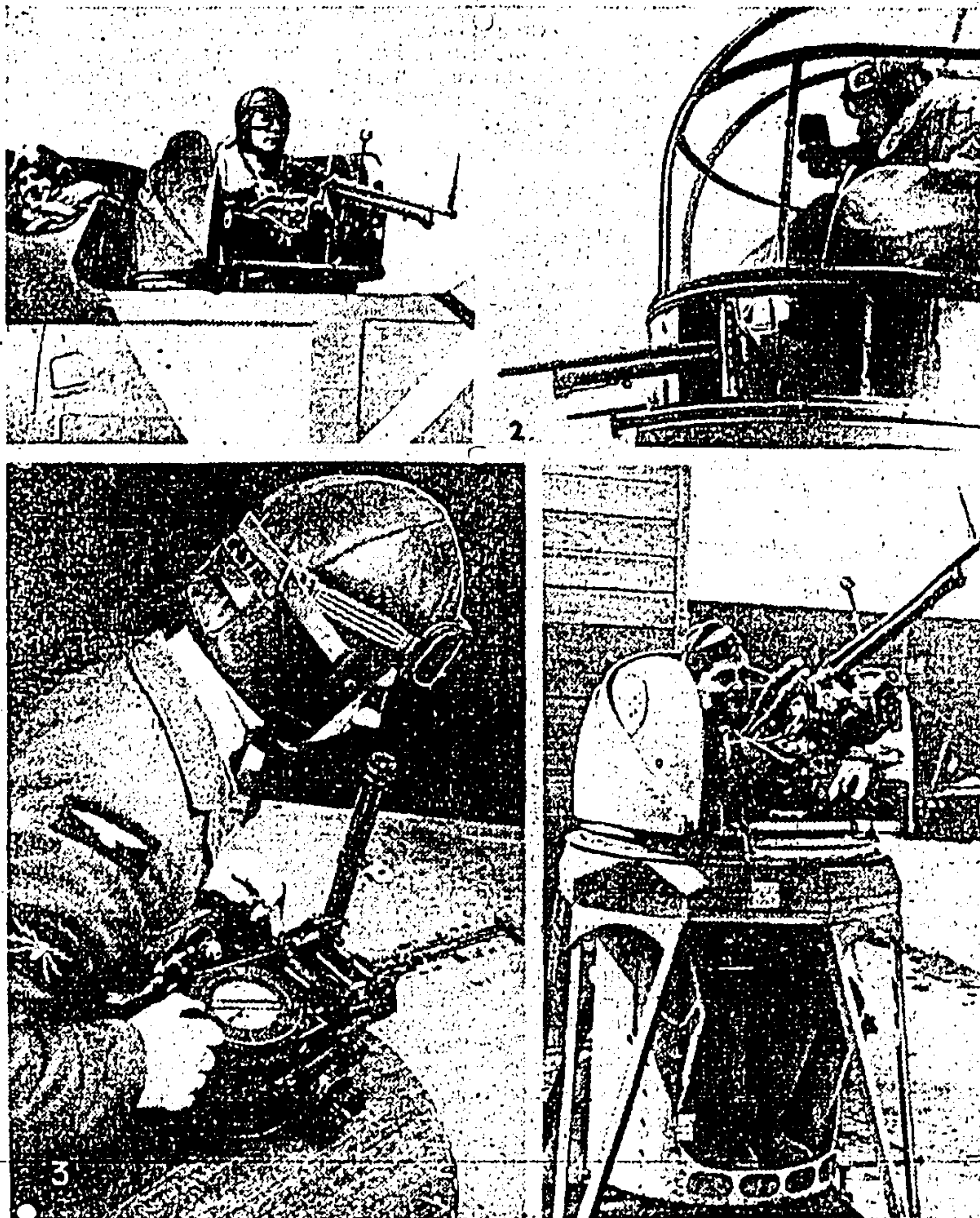
Q. How many destroyers does this leave in the U.S. Navy? A.—It leaves 151, of which 60 are the overage class, similar to those traded to Britain. Besides the 151 remaining destroyers, the navy is now building 57.

### Baby Christened In A Warship

His gas-helmet went too

A four-weeks-old baby boy—the son of Lieut.-Commander H. C. R. Alexander, R.N.—was christened Anthony Colin Beverley aboard a cruiser at an east coast naval base. The ceremony was performed by the chaplain of the naval base.

The baby was brought to the base complete with identification card, ration book and special baby's helmet.



### A ROYAL AIR FORCE BOMBING STATION AND GUNNERY SCHOOL. THE R.A.F. IS TRAINING THOUSANDS OF OBSERVER BOMBERS AND AIR GUNNERS.

1. An Air Gunner at Gunnery practice in the air firing at a towed target.
2. A rear gunner operating his two guns in his turret in the tail of his aircraft.
3. Instructional bomb sight. A pupil in the School using a bomb sight on the ground, later he uses it in the air.
4. A pupil getting thoroughly acquainted with a power operated turret. There are several of these turrets about the station into which the pupils can jump and spend their spare time.

## WHEN THE SIREN SOUNDS

It is surprising how people who have been through precisely similar ordeals recently in areas which have been visited by Nazi bombers react to the strain in totally different ways.

Most of our people display that measure of contempt for all the enemy does or can do, which is typical of British character generally when faced with trials. But it is not how you act during a raid only which matters. The effect of losing sleep for several nights on end, or of living in a constant state of apprehension, weighs down many people who, in the actual moment of danger, are perfectly calm and courageous.

Obviously since in these times we may be deprived of our sleep for part of the time when we generally rest, we need to make the most of the hours of sleep which are permitted us. Well, to do that we must aim at dropping off to peaceful slumber as soon as we turn in—or, if there has been a raid, immediately we can return to bed. How can that be managed?

### Sleep Is Vital

First, raids or no raids, try always to turn in at the same hour. Sleep is a habit; if we did not have to organise our lives so as to fit them into working hours, we should all probably possess the sleeping habits of animals. Yes, sleep is a habit; and it is vital, if you want to keep fit and

This is an article a well-known doctor wrote for the people of Britain. It gives a number of hints for the preservation of health in time of strain.

well in these days, to acquire a sound sleep habit.

If when you go to bed your mind is full of worry as to whether you'll be able to wake in the morning, should your night have been disturbed by a raid warning, cut that all out immediately. How? Simply by buying an alarm clock!

And if there is a warning don't spend the time in your dug-out or refuge room munching chocolate or drinking tea, for that will tend to rob you of the rest you might otherwise get when "All-clear" paves the path back to bed.

Bombs dropping make an unpleasant sound, as most of us have learned. They are apt to make the stomach "turn over." A glass of water in the shelter is a help, for a sip or two will often help to make the stomach feel more normal.

By the bedside, too, it is a good plan to keep a glass of milk. In the night you may wake with that unpleasant "sinking" feeling, especially in these troubled times when apprehension adds such ills, and a sip of milk will help much. A sip, mark you, not a drink. Sipping warm milk on retiring after a raid is better from the

sleep point of view than drinking tea.

Too much smoking does not help, though in periods of strain most of us probably tend to "strengthen the nerves" with extra cigarettes. Sleep is likely to suffer.

If you have to miss a good deal of sleep owing to the enemy's encroachments on slumber-times, don't worry yourself unduly and feel sure that you will fall seriously ill. Try to get good, sound sleep for a full eight hours or so as soon as you can, and that is about all you can do to remedy matters, for contrary to a rather common impression you can't "catch up on sleep."

### Have Something To Do

There are still some people who fail to realise how useful it is for everybody in a home to have some task or other to perform when the sirens start their weird wailing sounds.

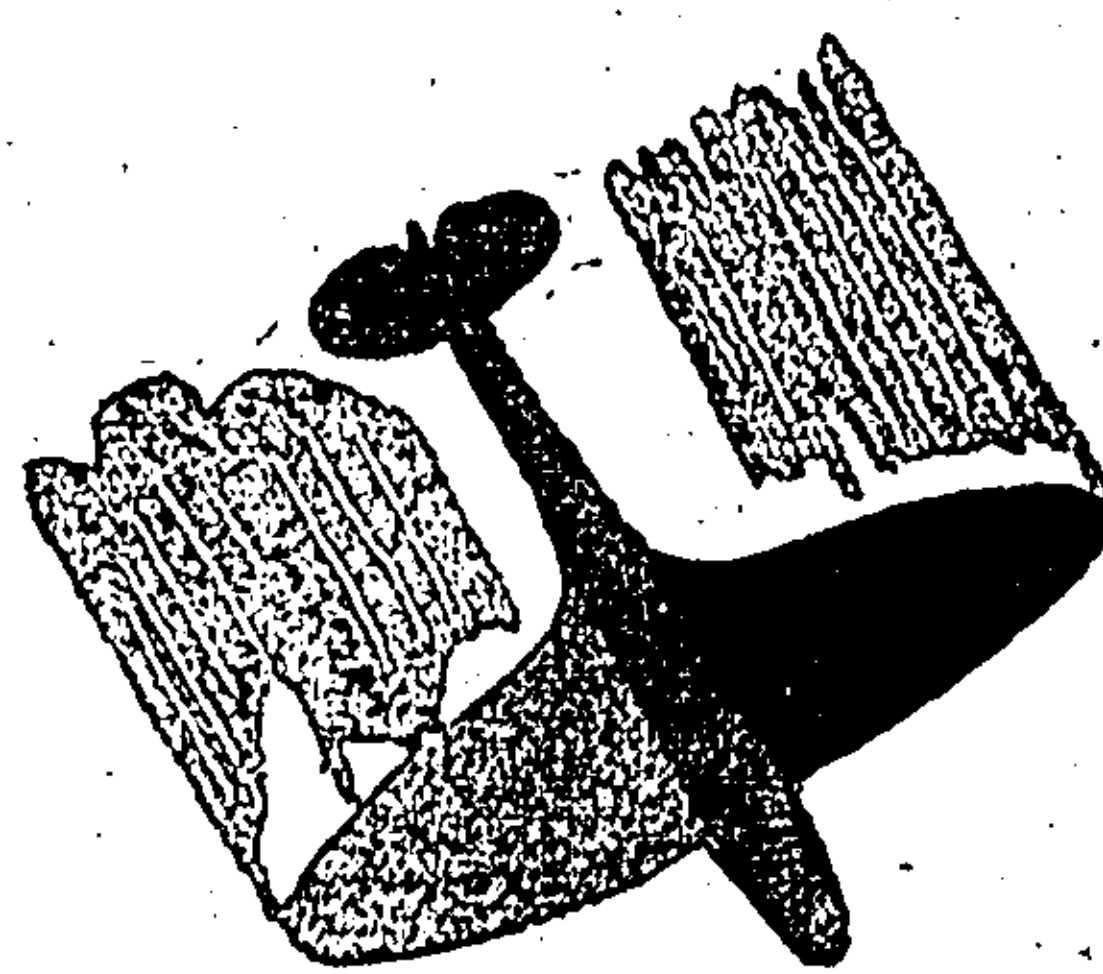
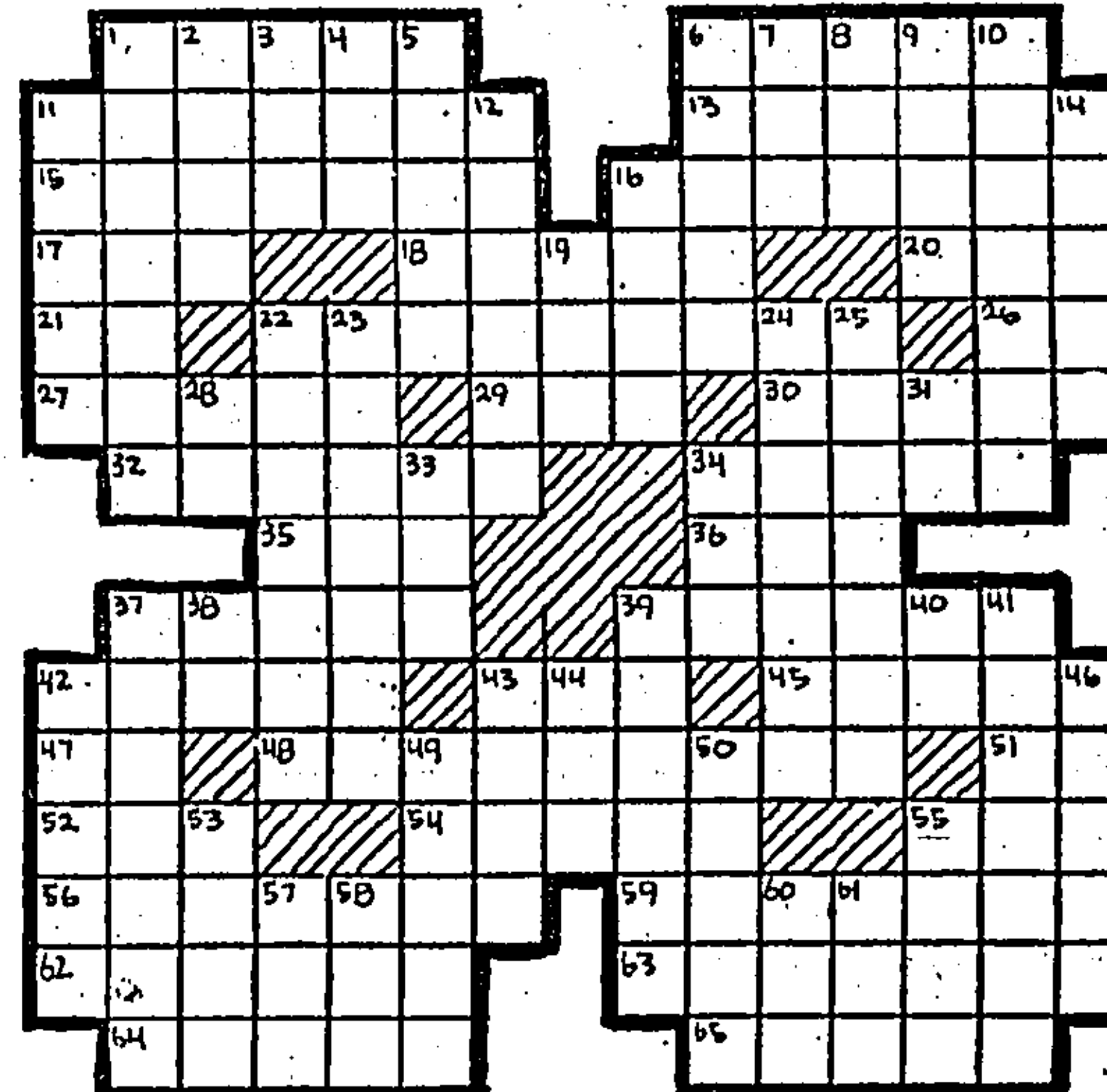
If your agreed job is to carry a chair into the shelter, small though the task is, it helps you to have something to think about.

If sleep is impossible in your dug-out, try to keep up a pleasant conversation. I remember once being under extremely heavy bombing, plus shell-fire, during the last war, and almost forgetting it all as I listened to a comrade's highly amusing account of similar experiences. We can't all be first-rate conversationalists as that padre certainly was; but a general talk on sport or anything which is likely to grip the interest of all present is a splendid help.

## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

- ACROSS  
 1—High military hat  
 6—Fixed amount of work  
 11—Those who post  
 12—Hoax  
 13—Italian man's name  
 14—Most sturdy  
 17—Piss  
 18—Older  
 20—Sheep's cry  
 21—Laid  
 22—Lairness  
 23—Sharp in A  
 24—Meal sound  
 25—Actual being  
 26—God of marriage  
 32—Click beetle  
 34—Masonic evil spirit  
 35—Lustreless  
 36—Arabian name  
 37—Inches to action  
 39—Disturbance of war  
 42—Condemn  
 43—Legal code  
 45—Vegetable  
 47—Myself  
 48—Easy writers  
 51—Concerning  
 52—Large tree  
 54—Expert  
 55—Professional athlete (base)  
 58—Divorce payment  
 59—Falling away  
 62—Take away
- ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE  
 4—Knowledge  
 5—Goodwill  
 6—Command  
 7—Heavy liquid  
 8—Prig  
 9—Fast Indian deputy  
 10—Attended  
 11—Bonds of strict  
 12—Material for joining  
 13—Chestnut  
 14—Noise  
 15—Litter  
 16—Dresses  
 17—Scout  
 18—Near Eastern people  
 19—Hunter in A  
 20—Printer's measures  
 21—Drawing  
 22—Wrote correctly  
 23—Dile (clang)  
 24—Mixed type  
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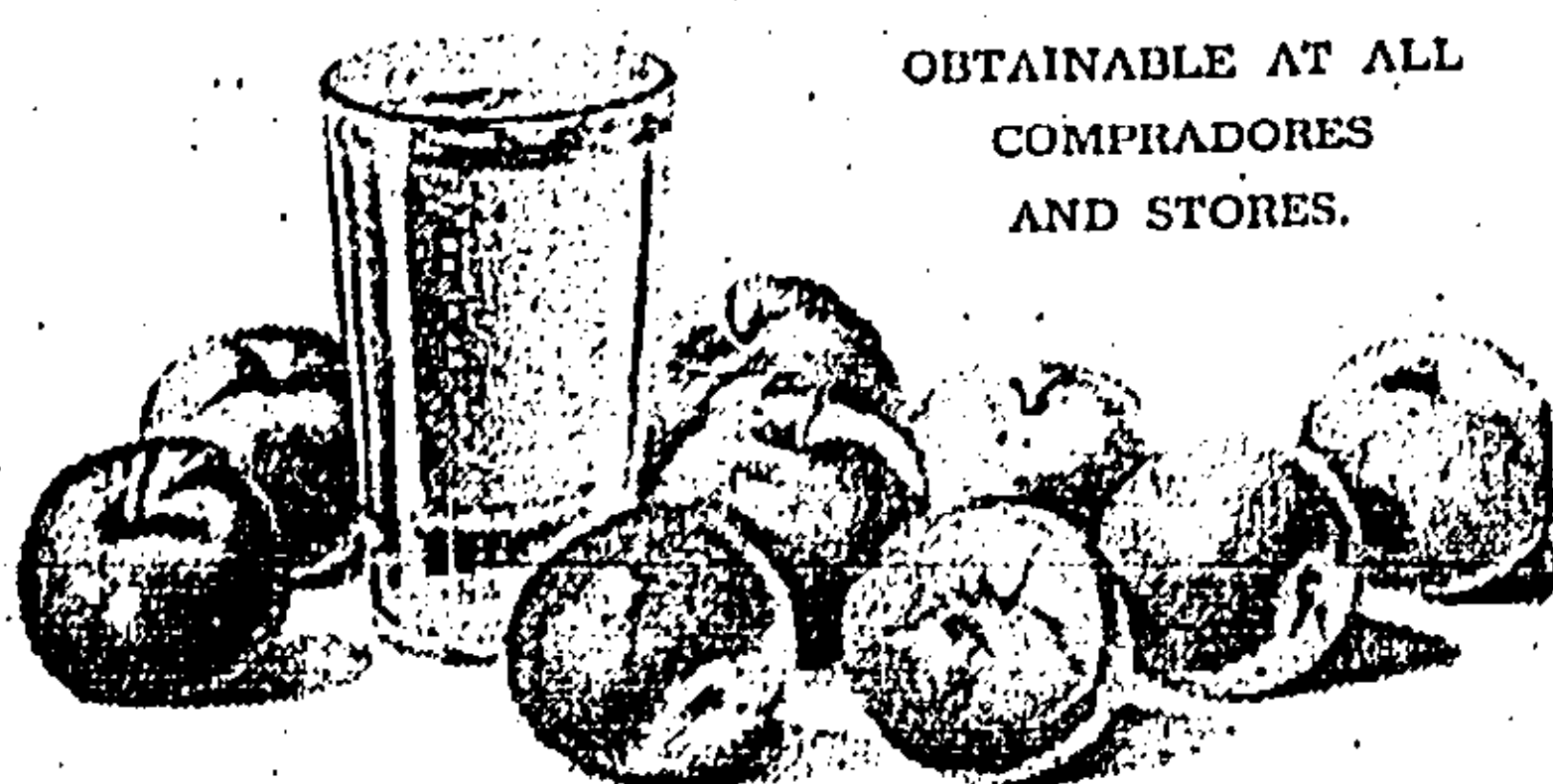
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## Champions of Civilization

IT is said that some animals  
can lose a leg without knowing  
it. Is civilization like that? Or  
is it awake to its peril? Listen-  
ing to accounts of the bombing  
of London one wonders. Other  
cities, other peoples have been  
subjected to this kind of crime  
—the Chinese, the Ethiopians,  
the Spaniards, Poles, Finns,  
Norwegians, Dutch, Belgians,  
and French. Ruthless aggres-  
sors have spared no treasure of  
person or possession. Now they  
unleash on one of the greatest  
capitals of civilization their  
boasted utmost of destruction.  
Will what remains of the civil-  
ized world be merely horrified or  
will it arouse itself to make sure  
that this shall not happen again,  
that the new barbarism shall be  
turned back for good?

All these peoples have been  
champions of civilization. Too  
often they have fought alone.  
To-day Britain fights alone.  
And this struggle over London  
is the complete symbol of the  
largely unseen struggle of civil-  
ization against barbarism to-day.  
Every pilot of the Royal Air  
Force, every bargee at the  
Thames docks, every humble  
householder in the East End is a  
champion of world culture and  
Christianity. After all the hair-  
splitting over the war's causes,  
all the totalitarian's twisted  
propaganda, all weighing of past  
mistakes, that is the simple fact.

Those who cherish the best  
the human spirit has known  
sense this situation. They are  
not like the animal which can  
lose a leg without knowing it.  
And they must give thanks daily  
for the kind of champions that  
now defend civilization. The  
spirit of the British people  
against odds which no one dared  
count is beyond praise. Its  
magnificent courage has been  
truly voiced by Mr. Winston  
Churchill, its spiritual strength  
by Lord Halifax. And its  
heroic self-sacrifice by the little  
home-owner near a vital airport  
who surveyed the ruins of his  
house and said: "When they hit  
us they miss the aerodrome."  
But one of the most confident  
tributes to the British people's

# BRITISH CONVOY

By Brydon Taves

United Press Special Correspondent

Aboard a British destroyer, in the North At-  
lantic, September 3, (UP).—Germany is shooting  
the works to make good its threat of total bloc-  
cade of the British Isles but after eight days  
aboard a little British flotilla leader I can say that  
hundreds of ships are entering and leaving British  
ports each week.

German submarine and air  
attacks marked my voyage. Not  
one day passed without action.  
The British crew was either  
manning gun and depth charge  
stations to fight off a U-boat or  
manning anti-aircraft stations  
to fight attacking planes.

I saw one British merchant-  
man take a long range torpedo  
squarely amid ships and sink  
within a half hour. The next  
day our destroyer evened the  
score.

A "Tin Fish", meant for us,  
missed by a scant thirty feet as  
we whipped around it. Then  
we rocked from the concussion  
of our own depth charges and  
I saw an oil patch spread slowly  
over the surface, marking  
that U-boat's end.

The destroyer was engaged in  
a typical convoy job, and its  
duties were something between  
those of a conscientious sheep  
dog and a sister of charity lead-  
ing a bunch of orphans across  
Times Square.

We were one destroyer and  
one smaller warship escorting a  
thirty ship convoy spread over  
fifteen square miles of ocean.  
Watching the line of hulls  
stretching out behind us, I re-  
membered what a naval officer  
in a convoy control room in a  
West coast port told me, just  
before I sailed.

"Give me fifty over-age  
American destroyers", he said,  
"and I will guarantee to cut our  
shipping losses by considerably  
more than 50 per cent."

Our destroyer was more than  
twenty years old but she could  
do thirty knots without strain-  
ing and could turn around on a  
dime. Her captain told me  
proudly that he could stop her  
dead within her own length  
when moving at twelve knots.

Our operation orders were to  
take an outwardbound convoy to  
a point near mid-Atlantic, out  
of range of subs, and then pick  
up an incoming convoy and shepherds it through the danger

area to coastal waters, where it  
would be divided, the ships pro-  
ceeding to various ports.

On the fifth day, after we  
had picked up the big inward  
bound convoy of almost fifty  
ships, a submarine appeared.  
We were plowing through heavy  
seas. The tail end of a gale  
was blowing. I was on the  
bridge. There was a dull boom  
among the ships stretched be-  
hind us and a column of smoke  
rose from the side of the lead-  
ing ship on the port string of  
freighters about a half mile  
away.

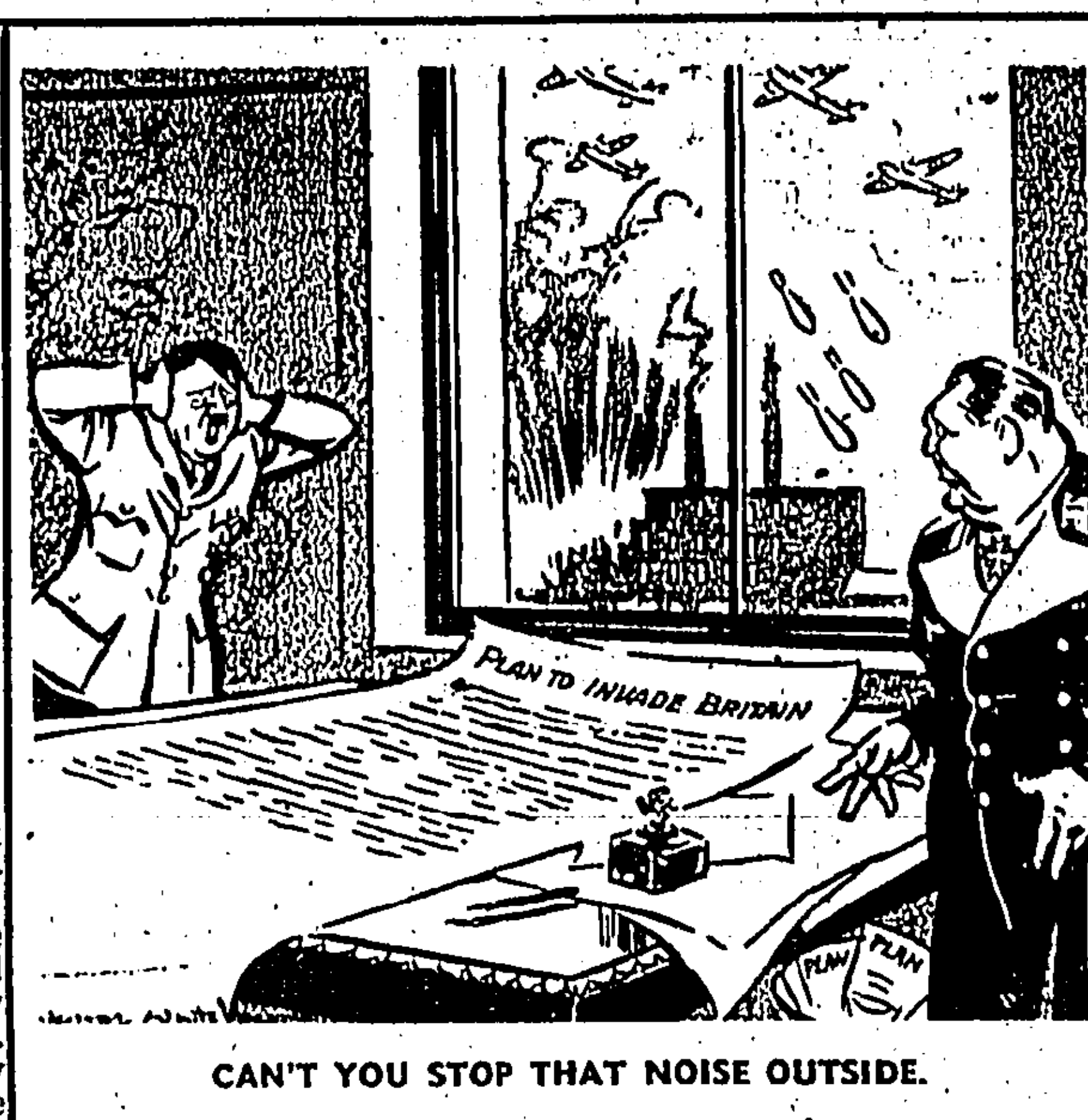
The destroyer lurched so  
quickly as it wheeled around  
that in a moment our bows were  
scooping up mountains of sea,  
hurling them back high over the  
bridge and into the yard arms  
in geysers of spray and foam.

The torpedo was fired from a  
safe distance of as much as five  
miles into the middle of the con-  
voy. Such long range shots,  
which U-boat captains are said  
to favour increasingly, are hit  
or miss. They generally have  
less effect when they hit and  
this is why many ships lately hit  
by torpedoes have been dam-  
aged but not sunk.

This shot was lucky. It  
struck a 4,000 ton freighter  
squarely abeam. Our captain  
signalled a sloop that had joined  
us that morning to help track  
down the U-boat, while the  
smaller warship nicknamed  
was sent to pick up survivors.

In the gathering darkness our  
search was virtually hopeless.  
We were drenched to the skin  
when we gave up and rejoined  
the convoy. Our detectors had  
not picked up a trace of the  
U-boat. We found twenty-six  
survivors from the freighter,  
but five were missing and pre-  
sumed killed by the torpedo ex-  
plosion.

The next day a U-boat paid  
for the lucky shot. It was  
slightly calmer. We had just



finished lunch. The call came:  
"Man the depth charge sta-  
tions!" We raced up the steps  
to the deck.  
"Heart Disease" had just  
signalled a torpedo track that  
passed twenty feet behind her  
stern. It came from the oppo-  
site side of the convoy and the  
torpedo must have passed  
through the column of ships  
without scraping one.

The commodore of the convoy  
signalled an emergency turn  
and the whole convoy veered in  
unison to starboard and plodded  
on. We swung into a "sweep"  
at twenty-five knots and raced  
behind the inverted convoy.

After twenty minutes I began  
to think that "Heart Disease"  
merely had had jitters. Sud-  
denly a blue and yellow "attack"  
signal ran up her yard and she  
loosed a depth charge. We  
picked up the U-boat ourselves a  
few minutes later, wallowed for  
a moment as the captain took  
his detector bearings, and then  
lunged to attack.

We fired depth charges. Some  
one on the bridge shouted. A  
line of bubbles and spray moved  
across the port bow, about  
thirty feet from us. It was a  
torpedo, but it appeared to be  
spent.

A big Sunderland flying boat  
appeared overhead. Our signal  
lamp flashed "U-boat some-  
where around here" and like a  
big bird the Sunderland banked  
and began skimming the water  
ahead of us. A smoke flame  
dropped from her wing and she  
circled back to it. I saw a  
bomb leave her racks and ex-

plode dully beneath the surface.  
The Sunderland came back,  
dived low, let go three bombs  
that hit in quick succession and  
sent great spouts into the air.  
Our detectors picked up a  
U-boat moving slowly away  
from us. It was very close.

The captain sent the des-  
troyer full speed ahead and  
great walls of water circled  
around the bows and lashed  
our faces as we clung to the  
rocking bridge.

"Stand by, depth charges!"  
"Fire one!"  
"Fire two!"  
"Fire three!"

Three big tins hurtled from  
the stern. There was a mo-  
ment's silence after they  
splashed. Then the whole sur-  
face of the water seemed to  
shiver and the ship rocked  
crazily. The air around us  
shimmered as on a hot summer  
day. The charges went deep  
and there were no geysers on  
the surface.

There was a new patch of oil,  
spreading and bubbling. Our  
detectors heard nothing more.

The Sunderland signalled:  
"What do you think?"  
Our captain answered: "I  
think he's dead. I can find no  
trace of him now."

The Sunderland hovered  
around the convoy the rest of  
the day.

Signal lamps blinked between  
the flying boat and the surface  
boat saying:

"Good bye."

"God bless you."

"You too."

And the flying boat disap-  
peared into the dusk, in the  
direction of England.

## THE GLASS AGE HAS ARRIVED...

AIR raids are making work  
for glass manufacturers  
and inspiring intensified re-  
search to discover a new, cheap,  
unbreakable window glass.

The first safety glass was dis-  
covered by accident. A French  
chemist dropped a bottle and  
was surprised to find that  
its fragments held together  
through a celluloid film from an  
evaporated mixture of chemicals  
which the bottle had contained.

Now there is a glass so strong  
that it will bend long before  
breaking point. It is made of  
two sheets of glass with a space  
between filled with specially  
treated glass. Even when the  
outer sheath breaks, the filling  
runs away like sand.

Glass has uncertain habits.  
It can become ill. It can be  
frightened to death. The mal-  
adies of sick glass are known to  
every expert collector of fine  
pieces. The housewife knows  
how glass that has been boxed  
up for years will lose its lustre.  
The connoisseur knows of  
glass-sickness which hair-cracks  
the entire surface of a vessel.

staying power comes from the  
writings of an American:

Let who will fail, England will not.  
These people have at here a thousand  
years, and here will continue to sit.  
They will not break up or arrive at  
any desperate revolution, like their  
neighbours; for they have as much  
gentleness of character, as they ever  
had.

Emerson wrote that a hundred  
years ago. It is true to-day.  
And all who give thanks for  
those who stand so staunchly in  
the front line can find means of  
making their gratitude effective.

Glasses dim and grow wet and  
die. In other words, they break  
to pieces, and many wonderful  
examples have been lost to the  
world in this fashion.

Glass cookery utensils, even  
frying-pans, long since became  
familiar. To-day the origina-  
tors of heat-resistant glass have  
produced a "shrunk glass" capa-  
ble of standing up to a tempera-  
ture change of 3,600 degs. One  
of its oddities is that, after its  
first fashioning, it has to go  
into the oven again and be  
shrunk, hence the name.

Another new kind of fireproof  
can be twisted, pierced with  
nails, even planed like wood.  
Armour-plate glass has been  
evolved from sand, soda, and  
lime. It withstands the shock  
of heavy gunfire and refuses to  
splinter.

When smashed the fragments  
remain together, making the  
glass gas-proof. Among its  
domestic uses is a glass oven  
door to enable the cook to know  
what is happening inside the  
oven.

Then there is one-way glass—  
millions of tiny crystals so ar-  
ranged to comb out the light  
that you can see out, but cannot  
see in. It is useful in hotels  
and blocks of offices where  
dozens of windows face a com-  
mon courtyard.

To save metal, we shall soon  
be using glass door bolts, and  
to save wood, glass rolling-pins.

Glass cloth and finely-spun  
glass-silk, impervious to the  
troubles of ordinary fabrics,

## FUNNY SIDE UP

By Abner Dean



"I can't confide in nobody to-day... it says so in my  
horoscope!"

are coming into demand. I wool, and furniture are emerg-  
have worn a glass shirt im-  
Ing.

I have seen a man playing on  
a glass fiddle. I have heard a  
shipping man discussing the  
new processes of painting a  
ship with liquid glass.

Nowadays, you can live in  
a glass house, without black-out  
troubles. Glass bricks can be  
obtained in black or light proof  
glass. Glass "paper," thread,

We're living in the glass age.  
Some people living in pro-  
toughened glass houses to-day  
can afford to throw stones with  
impunity.



# GERMAN PLANES THWARTED

## Fail To Reach London

LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—Following up last night's raids, the Germans were again busy to-day, but few machines succeeded in getting through to London which, however, had experienced five alert periods by late afternoon.

A formation of enemy fighters and bombers crossed the Kent coast at a number of points but each time found both A.A. defences and interceptor planes ready for them.

Most turned tail but among those which got through were two single machines. These dropped five bombs on the outskirts of London, fortunately on roads and fields.

A.A. guns on the Thames Estuary were twice in action during the afternoon.

### Bomber In City Street

A yellow-nosed Messerschmitt bomber was shot down in a London street this afternoon. The pilot was killed.

Another is believed to have been brought down off the coast. It was seen streaking off to France with a fighter plane in pursuit and smoke was pouring from the German.

The fighter returned later and did a "Victory" roll.

### Seven Nazis Downed

LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—It is now officially stated that seven German aircraft were destroyed to-day.

Berlin claimed that nine British planes were shot down in the Sunday raids and that three German machines had not returned to their bases. Hits were claimed on important military installations in London and on a troop encampment in south-west England.

### Southeast Attacked

LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—Operating at a great height, German planes to-day were mainly over southeast England.

The damage they did, says an Air Ministry communique, was not heavy nor were casualties numerous. Five of the Nazi planes were destroyed.

The raiders were mostly fighters or fighter-bombers which crossed the Kent coast in formation on several occasions during the morning and afternoon bound for London and the Thames Estuary.

Some succeeded in reaching London and bombs were dropped on Kent and Essex but none reported from elsewhere.

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### Using Sub-Stratophere

LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—The German air force is using the sub-stratophere more and more in the daylight raids on Britain. The raiders commonly cross the coast at 30,000 feet and make for London.

Interception at that height is difficult since the manoeuvrability of the fighter is very much reduced near its ceiling where the controls are apt to be sluggish.

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### Peace Commission

# Hundreds Of U.S. Planes For Britain

LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—American aircraft are now reaching England in hundreds and the number will steadily increase next year, said Lord Lothian, in a short speech immediately on landing in England from America via Lisbon.

American rearmament was rapidly getting into its stride, he said, and American opinion now realised the necessity of backing up Great Britain.

A tremendous impression has been created in the United States by the way the public is taking the London raids.

Lord Lothian expects to remain in England about three weeks. He will have a few days' holiday in Scotland before returning to London for consultations with the Government.

### Production Speed-Up

LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—The United States army has asked American aeroplane factories to do 24 hour shifts, said Lord Lothian in an interview shortly after his arrival in England.

The British envoy to America added: "I think the factories are doing it."

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# CHANNEL GUN DUEL

## The War's Biggest Bombardment

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" FOLKESTONE, Oct. 20 (UP).—British long range guns to-day started the biggest bombardment of the war shortly before noon, firing salvo after salvo across the Straits of Dover in the direction of Cape Gris Nez.

In reply the German guns shelled nearby waters for over an hour, shells arriving in twos and threes every few minutes.

The Straits of Dover was brightly sunlit, but a shroud of mist made it impossible to see exactly what was happening.

It seems as though the Germans attempted blindly to shell British ships moving through the Channel.

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# CHEERFUL MR. CHURCHILL

LONDON, Oct. 20. (Reuter).—Mr. Winston Churchill is astounding his Cabinet colleagues by his inexhaustible energy and freshness of mind.

Speaking to a North of England audience on Saturday, Lord Lloyd, Secretary for the Colonies, added that he had never seen the Prime Minister in better heart than he is these days.

"We all feel better about the war than we did. We have been through great calamities and catastrophes, yet here we are to-day with the Army and Navy in the greatest fettle."

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# TAKE THE LIMELIGHT

## Turkey, Bulgaria And Greece

LONDON, Oct. 20 (Reuter).—The limelight moved this week-end from Rumania which is now de facto if not de jure under the German heel, further south to Turkey, Bulgaria and Greece.

Mr. G. W. Rendall, the British Minister in Sofia, has gone to Istanbul to see his colleague, Sir Hughe Knatchbull-Hugessen and, says Reuter's diplomatic correspondent, before leaving he had a long talk with King Boris so that he is able to acquaint his colleague with the King's attitude to the new moves in the Balkans—some idea of which it is possible to deduce from the fact that the German press has launched a fierce campaign against King Boris.

What Axis Hope Sir Hughe has seen Mr. Sarajoglu, the Turkish Foreign Minister, and he may be able to throw some light on the reaction of Turkey towards a possible Axis push further into the Balkans which will no doubt be influenced by the attitude of Soviet Russia.

No doubt the Axis Powers are hoping that Greece will submit tamely, as did Rumania, but with such an object lesson before her eyes, Athens is unlikely to fall into the same trap. In this she has the support of a British guarantee backed up by the British Navy.

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# Splendid Bowling Seen In International Series

## VOLUNTEER BOWLS TOURNEY

Seven matches in the Hongkong Volunteer Bowling Club's inter-unit bowls competition for the China Mail Challenge Cup were played yesterday.

At Kowloon Bowling Green Field Coy. "A" beat Stanley Platoon "B" 23-12. L/Cpl. L. Sykes, Capt. Bottomley, Cpl. J. L. Stephens and C.Q.M.S. A. Spary beat Pte. W. Webber, Pte. R. Grady, Pte. J. McCutcheon and Pte. A. Jillett in the second round.

Stanley Platoon "A" beat No. 2 Coy. "D" 24-12. Pte. S. Hodge, Pte. S. L. Marvin, L. J. W. Fitzgerald and Sgt. W. J. Bagley beat L/Cpl. Connolly, Pte. Musker, Cpl. Hillon and Sgt. Stainton in the first round.

At Clich de Reerele 1st Battery "B" beat No. 2 Coy. "D" 24-23. Gnr. Lockhart, Gnr. Stone, Gnr. Clemon and Sgt. L. Jack beat Pte. R. Lapsley, Pte. M. Mackie, Pte. Macmaster and Pte. Revie in the preliminary round.

Field Coy. Eng. "C" beat Field Ambulance "A" 24-14. Spr. A. M. Calbunne, Spr. J. G. Ozario, Spr. R. Lapsley and Spr. R. Morrison beat Pte. A. F. Noronha, L/Cpl. J. A. Remedios, Pte. A. M. Rumjahn and L. A. M. Nodri in the second round.

At Kowloon Cricket Club 1st Battery "A" beat No. 2 Coy. "A" 10-16. Gnr. Morrison, Gnr. Carr, Ldr. Blackford and Cpl. Watson beat Pte. Gault, Pte. McKie, L/Cpl. Gillies and Pte. Bowford in the preliminary round.

Field Ambulance "B" beat 2nd Battery "A" 18-16. Pte. A. Rora, Pte. W. Higgins, Sgt. R. Leigh and Sgt. A. Steven beat B. S. M. Ross, Sgt. Lloyd, Sgt. Carr and Sgt. Sheriff in the second round.

At Kowloon Football Club A.S.C. Coy. "A" beat No. 2 Coy. "C" 20-14. Cpl. Cullen, Sgt. Hyde, Sgt. Meyer and Pte. Kern beat Pte. Curtis, Pte. Morrison, Pte. Gill and Capt. Brown in the preliminary round.

## SPORTS ADVT.

### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Tenth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 2nd November, 1940 (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on THURSDAY, 24th October, 1940.

By Order, C. B. BROWN, Secretary.

INDIA, PHILIPPINES AND IRELAND entered the second round of the Gutierrez International Shield yesterday by defeating Portugal, China and Malaya respectively on the Kowloon Football Club ground.

As to be expected, the best bowls of the day was seen in the India-Portugal match in which U. M. Omar and C. G. Silva, the two leading skips of the League, were in opposition. India scored on 11 heads against Portugal's ten but finished up 17-12 to the good chiefly because even when they could not score they were able to keep their opponents' score down to singles and doubles. In fact, of the ten heads registered by Portugal, no fewer than eight were singles, the rest being twos.

While the Indian No. 1 and 2 held their own against the Luz brothers, there is no doubt that the Omar brothers had the better of F. V. V. Ribeiro and C. G. Silva. Time and again K. M. came up to lay the shot, and when he failed U. M. more often than not managed to do so.

The standard of play was very high in this encounter—which is perhaps only to be expected with two skips like U. M. Omar and Carlos Silva up against each other.

### IRELAND THROUGH

Actually Ireland defeated Malaya by 20-20, but the margin would not have been so wide had M. R. Abbas, the Malayan skip, not taken his counter out with his last wood in a desperate attempt to "burn" the Jack in the last head. The Irishmen were leading by three shots and when the skips went down, Malaya lay one but Ireland had two seconds. Abbas failed to add to Malaya's score with his first wood and with no back woods, his only hope was to "burn" the Jack. He not only failed to do what he wanted but took out his own shot and W. V. Field, the Irish skip, added another.

Malaya made a late rally but left their effort too late. Bakar was the best of the losers, while of the winners, everyone bowled steadily. China held her own in the first ten heads against the Philippines, but thereafter, a four, two and six on successive heads spell her doom. Philippines finished up on the winning end of a 33-16 score.

The following were the detailed scores:

India	Philippines	Portugal
A. H. Rumjahn	J. A. da Luz	A. da Luz
A. M. Rumjahn	R. F. da Luz	R. F. da Luz
K. M. Omar	F. V. V. Ribeiro	F. V. V. Ribeiro
U. M. Omar	C. G. Silva	C. G. Silva
1	2	1
2	2	1
3	2	2
4	2	2
5	1	3
6	1	3
7	1	3
8	1	3
9	1	3
10	1	3

Ireland	Malaya
C. Dowman	A. M. Wahab
A. Wright	S. Yusuf
H. Lockhart	A. Bakar
W. V. Field	M. R. Abbas
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
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9	9
10	10
11	11
12	12
13	13
14	14
15	15
16	16
17	17
18	18
19	19
20	20
21	21

China	Philippines
Y. H. Tang	H. A. Castro
S. C. Wong	A. E. H. Castro
W. Wong Sling	V. N. Attienza
J. Pau	R. Baza
1	2
2	2
3	2
4	2
5	2
6	2
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Dend Head.

## Ricketts Retains Golf Title

### China Championship

Shanghai, Oct. 20. Tony Ricketts today retained the amateur golf championship of China with a final score of 295. Lewis Carson was second with 311 and A. B. Davis and W. H. C. Huggett tied for third place with 316, but Davis won the place in a five-hole play-off.

Ricketts led in the morning round with a score of 70-seven strokes up on Carson, who was second. In the afternoon round Huggett was first, with 70, Carson second with 73, Ricketts third with 74.

Yesterday Ricketts led in the first round with a score of 151 and Carson, 150, was second. Yesterday's play was at Seekinging and to-day's at Hungiao.

—Reuter.

### Happy Valley Match

In their second meeting this year at Happy Valley yesterday, the Happy Valley golfers beat the Kowloon Golf Club 17-12. At their earlier meeting in Easter, Kowloon beat Happy Valley 22-11.

The Singles resulted in a win for Kowloon 8-4, while Happy Valley won the foursomes 10-4.

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# SING TAO WORTHY WINNERS: BUT FLATTERED BY SCORE

(By "Scrambler")



HEADS UP! A midfield incident in the soccer match played yesterday between Sing Tao and the Navy on the Club ground. The Chinese won by 5-2.—Ming Yuen.

## Army Beat Club At Rugby Forward Superiority Settles The Issue

(By "Fly-Half")

IN THE OPENING RUGGER match of the present season, played at Happy Valley on Saturday, Army defeated Club by nine points (three tries) to three (a try). The Club were unfortunate to kick off without D. H. Stewart, who was unavailable due to Volunteer duties. Carruthers, who deputised, played moderately well but lacked the robust and powerful running of Stewart.

Army have a very sound pack and a good pair of halves, and although the three played well to win they were far from reliable. Dropped passes and knock-ons were frequent when a try was almost certain. The heat, which affected all alike, may have had much to do with this, but it is a thing Army have to watch if they want to carry off premier honours.

March was the chief culprit, but the other three were no less blameworthy, especially Douglass in the first half. It appeared that most of the mistakes were caused by passes which went just that much too far forward for the receiver to take.

Many clean breakaways by the Army were broken up by the Club full-back, Thompson, who played, in my opinion, his best game to date and by wee Jimmie Thomson, who got back to lend the full back grand support. The banker caught and tackled faultlessly and, with improvement in kicking and avoidance of the mistake of hanging on too long, will solve Club's full back vacancy caused through Henderson's absence from the Colony.

**BOSANQUET WAS SLOW**  
Bosanquet, seen little in attack, lay too far back in defence and was slow in coming up on Richards (Army) who is a man to confine in space as he has a strong run. Character was the only other Club player worthy of commendation outside Thompson, Thomson and Aldenhead. The last-mentioned kicked well to touch in the face of the quick-breaking Army wing forwards.

Day, without being brilliant, was instrumental in saving more than once by his speed. Carruthers, like the other backs, seldom got a fair chance. He brought Club supporters to their feet by a clever recovery and kick ahead well up field which put Club on the offence and dangerously so with the Army team going the wrong way. Unfortunately for the winner, the ball went into touch before he could regain possession.

At forward, Army had a great deal more than a half share of the ball. In the scrums, Sutherland hooked well and in the line-outs, Miller, Cuthbertson and Willoughby completely nullified the efforts of the Club eight.

It was pitiful to see such tall men as those mentioned catch the ball and have sufficient time to regain their feet on the ground to pass off direct overhead to the stand-off half without a Club player going for their heels instead of trying to obstruct his throw. Nothing knocks the stuffing out of a big fellow than to have to fall six feet to the ground—nothing is fairer, provided he has caught the ball and nothing easier done.

**ARMY MONOPOLY**  
Unless Taylor, Hackett, Godfrey and Macrae, Club's hopes in the line-out, jump a great deal higher, they will find that Army are going to establish a monopoly in this phase of the game in future matches. Both scrum-halves played well as far as the game allowed; Wedder-

Revealing splendid form, the Sing Tao 1st XI defeated Royal Navy yesterday on the Club ground before a capacity crowd by 5-2. The score cannot be taken as a criterion of the play, as the Navy had as much of the play as the Sing Tao, and only their hesitancy in parting with the ball, coupled with their lack of cohesion, prevented them from adding to their score. Whereas Sing Tao indulged in pretty passing, the Navy were far too individualistic.

There was more understanding and team play in the Sing Tao's eleven. As a schemer, Fung King-cheung was there whenever needed, and his co-operation with his other forwards was a treat to watch.

The whole of the Chinese forward line played well together. The wingers, Tang Kwong-sum and Ip Pak-wah, had many runs down the field and their centres invariably spelt danger to the Navy goal. The inside trio of Fung King-cheung, Kwok Ying-kie and Lai Shui-wing still constitute a threat to any senior team, and their short interpassing had the Navy defenders guessing time and again. The diminutive centre forward is a bag of tricks in himself, and his two goals were the result of good positional play and opportunism.

**SOONG ALERT**  
Of the Chinese defenders, the half back trio had as much work to do as their opponents, Soong Ling-sing, although limping during the greater part of the game, put in a lot of useful work. Besides polling Hendy, who was as careful as ever, Soong found time in feeding his forwards with nice ground passes. Of the two wing-halves, Lau Ting-sang was slightly better than Tait Ah-fai. He had a much faster man in Phippes to attend to, and still found time to come up to help his forwards when ever wanted. Tait Ah-fai, at left half, went about his work unobtrusively and had the measure of Bourne for the greater part of the game. Of the two backs, they were steady as usual, and perhaps with the aid given by their front men, they did not appear to be overworked. Cheong Wing-choy, in goal, did not have much to do.

Of the Navy players, there was too much individualism in their play. If they had been able to put in the same understanding as the Chinese, they would have been rewarded with as many goals. Hendy led his men well, being very conspicuous in his foraging. He was ever a thorn in the Chinese side, and with LePage on his right, these two very often brought the ball right up to the Chinese goal only to be robbed by not parting with it earlier.

Honeywell, Croft and Britt had all their work cut in looking after the nimble Chinese forwards, with the result that they were unable to give their forwards the attention they very much needed.

Roughley was steeper than Hendy, well at back; the latter faltered under heavy pressure. Giff did not seem to be his usual self. His collecting of the ball in itself was faulty. But he could not have done much with the goals scored against him.

**FAST FIRST GOAL**  
Sing Tao surprised their supporters

**MARATHON RACE**

The Hongkong and Kowloon Tenants' Association will hold an open long-distance race on November 10, and intending competitors of either sex are asked to register by the end of this month either at 6 Queen's Road Central, second floor, or 855 Nathan Road, third floor.

**JAPANESE TRIUMPH In Tennis Series**

TOKYO, Oct. 20 (Dome).—The three-day international tennis tournament between Germany and Japan ended in a victory for Japan 3 to 1. On the final day, Yasuo Tsutsumi of Japan defeated Kurt Gless of Germany 9-7, 6-4, 6-3. The match between Heinrich Henkel of Germany and Haruo Kodera of Japan was called off on account of darkness. The score was 5-5 in the fifth set, each player having won two sets.

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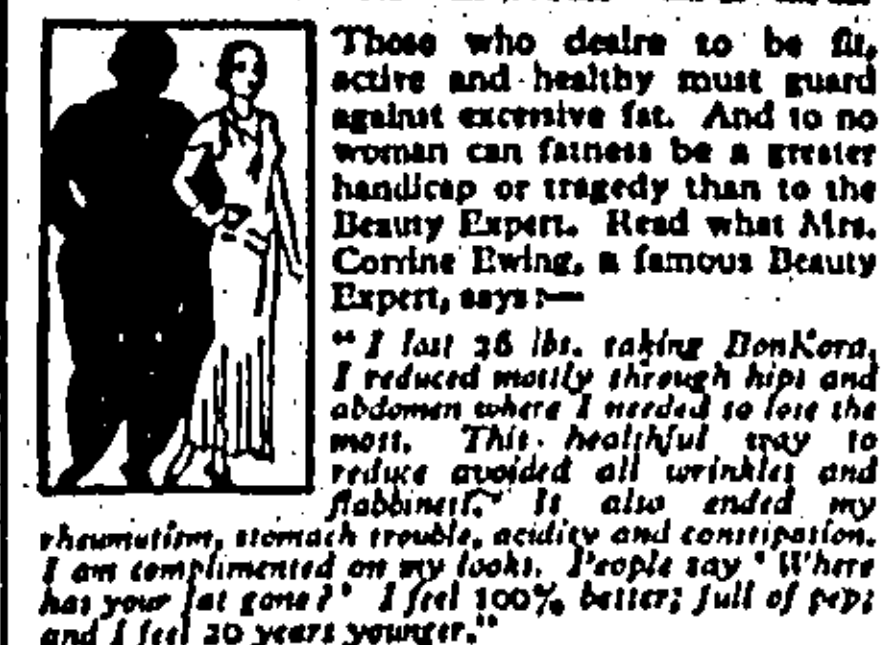
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### REDUCTION OF CAPITAL BY HONGKONG COMPANY Chairman Visualises Good Future

Stating that the reduction in the share capital of the company would place them on a better footing in the future and that the Company had been given several contracts recently for important constructional work including air-raid shelters and the second contract for the erection of modern godowns for the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Mr. J. H. Marsman, Chairman of the Board of Directors, struck an optimistic note at the annual general meeting of Marsman Hongkong China, Ltd., held this morning at the registered offices of the Company, Hongkong Bank Building.

The extraordinary meeting called for 10 a.m. was adjourned, on a motion by the chairman, till after the reading of the report and accounts at the annual general meeting. When the extraordinary meeting was resumed, the special resolution calling for a reduction of the capital of the company was passed unanimously. 527,840 of the share capital being represented in person or by proxy. This represented nearly 80 per cent. of the original issue.

Mr. J. H. Marsman was in the chair and was supported by Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, Mr. T. B. Wilson (Managing Director) and Mr. L. M. S. Lloyd (Secretary).

Shareholders present were Messrs. W. F. Carman, J. M. Noronha, W. Brown, Edgar Davidson (representing Hastings and Co.), G. C. Danforth and G. A. Pennefather.

After the Report and Accounts had been unanimously adopted, the Chairman said:

**Chairman's Speech**

"Gentlemen, the profit for the year amounted to £1,715 and although this is not a large sum it indicates a turn for the better in the Company's affairs."

"Your Company holds £1,374,000 par value of shares in Marsman's Algemeene Exploratie Maatschappij, of which £1,100,000 were received free in connection with the acquisition of the Algemeene Exploratie Maatschappij. We have every reason to believe these shares are worth par value, but, adopting a conservative policy, a fifty per centum reserve has been provided against the free shares."

This particular property contains a very large area of dredging ground, and testing work is well in hand with satisfactory results. Two six cubic feet bucket dredgers are being assembled, the first of which will be in operation early in the coming year and the second approximately two months later. The Mangani gold lode property has been in operation since May and is now milling 200 tons per day with satisfactory results. New sections of the mine are yielding higher values and operations should soon be on a profitable basis. The Nederlandsche Indische Handelsbank at Batavia and associates have advanced £1,350,000 for the development of these two properties. This has enabled Marsman's Algemeene to keep its liquid capital at a low level, a matter of benefit to all the shareholders."

As stated in the report, the interest which your Company had in the Twin Rivers operation has been disposed of without loss.

**Field Narrowed**

The present policy being followed by your Directors has been set forth briefly in the Report. The field of the Company's activities has been constantly narrowed and restricted through hostilities in the territory surrounding the Colony. As a result a number of projects from which substantial profits were anticipated have been suspended, but contacts

**Extraordinary Meeting**

The following special resolution was proposed by Mr. G. C. Dankwerth, and seconded by Mr. Brown and carried unanimously.

"That the capital of the Company be reduced from £500,000, divided into 1,000,000 shares of 10s. each, to £250,000, divided into 1,000,000 shares of 5s. each and that such reduction be effected by cancelling capital which has been lost, or is unrepresented by available assets to the extent of 5s. per share upon each of the 500,000 shares which have been issued, and are now outstanding, and by reducing the nominal amount of all the shares in the Company's capital from 10s. to 5s. per share."

In conclusion, Mr. Marsman stated that the reduction of share capital would place the company on a better footing. The Company had also recently been given several important constructional contracts including air-raid shelters. The Company had completed the first of the new godowns for the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company and had been given the second contract for a similar building.

### Load Of Petrol On Taipo Rd. Dangerous Goods

For failing to comply with a dangerous goods regulation by conveying 400 gallons of petrol on a lorry at Taipo Road on Saturday, and with conveying dangerous goods without labels, Eu Wen-lum, 42, was fined a total of \$75 by Mr. Q. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Det. Sgt. Shaw said the lorry was stopped by a Revenue Officer on the Taipo Road on Saturday. There was 100 tons of petrol on board. Mr. Macfadyen said it was dangerous to convey petrol by ordinary lorries.

### PRISON OFFICER OUT \$10

Mr. J. E. Burns, Prison Officer, Stanley Prison, was at Luard Road, Wanchai district, on Saturday when he felt a movement close to his hip pocket. Putting a hand behind him, Mr. Burns caught hold of some one's hand and discovered that a thief was trying to steal his money. The person whose hand was caught managed to escape from the grasp but Mr. Burns chased him and arrested him in a scavenging lane.

The arrested man, Lam Shun, 20, unemployed, was charged with theft of \$10 from Mr. Burns and was sentenced to six months' hard labour by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., at the Central Magistracy to-day.

Det.-Sergeant Morrison said that \$10 had been stolen from Mr. Burns but apparently this money had been discarded by the defendant when he was chased as the money was missing. The defendant had two previous convictions for similar offences, said the Det.-Sergeant.

### Well Dressed Chinese At Criminal Sessions

A daring attempt to hold up a restaurant manager in a populous district was told at the Criminal Sessions this morning when three well-dressed Chinese youths were charged before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, with assaulting Fung Kim-sang with intent to rob him.

Accused were Wong Ping-kwan, alias Tong Chui, 22, Leung Shu-cheong, 22, and Li Shi-kai, alias Lam Chai, 25. Leung was additionally charged with possession of an automatic pistol and four rounds of ammunition.

Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, and the following comprised the Jury: Messrs R. P. de Lasala (Foreman), Luk Ping-cheung, A. G. Safford, G. W. Chan, Leung Shui-tak, Mac Chung-nam and E. A. Mattos.

Mr. Murphy said that Fung was the manager of several restaurants, including the Tai Ping in Pak Hoi Street, Yau-mat, and the Tai Tung in Des Voeux Road. His main office was in a later where he kept all his money, including any surplus from the other restaurants, and it was his habit to pay his bills at the Tai Ping on every tenth day of the Chinese month.

**Followed In Bus**

On August 13, which was the tenth day of the Chinese month, Fung took \$1,500 from his safe about 8 a.m. and went to the Tai Ping. As he alighted from the bus he noticed a Chinese dressed in white European clothing also get off, and when near the restaurant the man came up from behind, pinned his arms to his sides, swung him round, stuck a revolver into his body and said, "Get into the car."

Fung then noticed a small car drawn up beside him, and in it were two men, one in the driver's seat and the other behind. He was pushed towards the car, the door of which was open, but he struggled and managed to free himself, whereupon the vehicle with the three men drove away.

**Meeting In Restaurant**

Fung, went on Mr. Murphy, was unable to identify any of the three men but it was the Crown's case that they were the accused. Evidence would be called to show that about the middle of July a man named Chan Sing met Wong and Leung in an opium den. He was introduced by them to a man who claimed he was the accountant of the Tai Ping restaurant and who described money over from Hongkong and suggested they should rob him. Leung was alleged to have said during the conversation that as he was the possessor of the revolver he should get a double share of the proceeds. It was suggested by him and Wong that Chan should hire a car for the hold-up.

**Accomplice Sought**

On the following day, Chan was at the Vehicular Ferry car park when both Wong and Leung came up handed him \$10 to hire a car, at the same time asking him to get leave of absence from his employer. Chan went away on the pretence of seeking leave of absence from his employer, and after a short while returned, saying he could not obtain permission. The same afternoon, Chan met them again and they once more tried to induce him to take part in the attempted robbery, saying that he need not be afraid because they would kill the victim, who would then be unable to give evidence. However, Chan refused to join.

On August 12, Chan met Li, who told him he had been asked to join in the attempted robbery. Nothing further happened until the following morning, when Li told Chan that the robbery had failed and described what had taken place. In the afternoon Chan met the three of them in

### THEFTS AND LOSSES

The loss of a wrist watch valued at \$75 from his house yesterday was reported by Mr. C. Strange of 175, Wong Nei Chung Road.

**Purse And Badge**

Miss L. Sequeira of 9 Soares Avenue reports that someone entered her room through an open window and stole a purse containing \$11.40 and a Hongkong Jockey Club badge.

**Car Missed**

B. C. Tao, of 7 Leighton Hill Road, reports the loss of his car No. 1109, which was parked outside the Hongkong Jockey Club on Saturday.

**Jewellery Taken**

Chan Chau, of 353, Queen's Road West, reports that someone entered his premises through an open window between 3.30 and 4 a.m. yesterday and stole Jewellery to the value of \$107.

**Wallet**

The loss of a wallet containing \$1,030 was reported to the Police yesterday by Yip Pak-ching, 50, merchant. It is believed that Yip lost the wallet while travelling on a bus in Queen's Road Central.

**Up Fire Escape**

Entering the first floor of No. 275 Prince Edward Road by means of the fire escape yesterday morning, a thief stole a fountain pen and money to the value of \$75, the property of Mr. Chiu Hoi-shan.

**Yachtsman To Rescue Of Junk**

A timely rescue of a junk in distress was carried out on Saturday by the Hon. Mr. A. L. Shields who was sailing his yacht Luana.

Mr. Shields was about four miles south-east of Conic Island in Mrs. Bay when he sighted a junk making distress signals. The junk had no main sail and Mr. Shields took his yacht alongside to find out what had happened.

He learnt from the junk master and passengers aboard that the junk had been overtaken by a Japanese patrol boat at 5 o'clock on Saturday morning. The Japanese had gone aboard, taken all the money they could find and practically all of the food. They then cut the halyards so that the junk's sails could not be hoisted.

Mr. Shields passed a tow-line to the junk, but it broke, but he managed to run a bigger line and made it fast to the yacht's mizzen mast.

**Heavy Swell**

Mr. Shields then towed the junk to Kon Mun though the going was difficult in the heavy swell in view of the fact that the yacht had only an 18 h.p. engine. Several times the mast was endangered by the strain of keeping the tow-line taut.

The junk master asked that a message be sent to Hongkong for a launch to be sent out and after Mr. Shields had given the people money for food he put into Rocky Harbour, though by then it was pitch dark.

While on the way to Sai Kung police station on Sunday morning Mr. Shields met a police patrol launch. Police officers informed Mr. Shields that they had already located the helpless junk at Kon Mun and had taken it into a more sheltered spot, while assistance from Hongkong had also been requested.

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### Three Cases Of Beer; One Case At Court

The theft of three cases of J.B.B. beer from a godown at No. 58 Canton Road on September 19 was recalled at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, when Chan Chan, 38, appeared before Mr. E. Himmsworth charged with housebreaking, and receiving stolen property.

Det. Sgt. Matches said Chan was arrested in Canton Road on Saturday as a result of information received. Later the Police were taken to two places in Canton Road where the beer had been sold.

Defendant was remanded for 24 hours for his finger prints to be checked.

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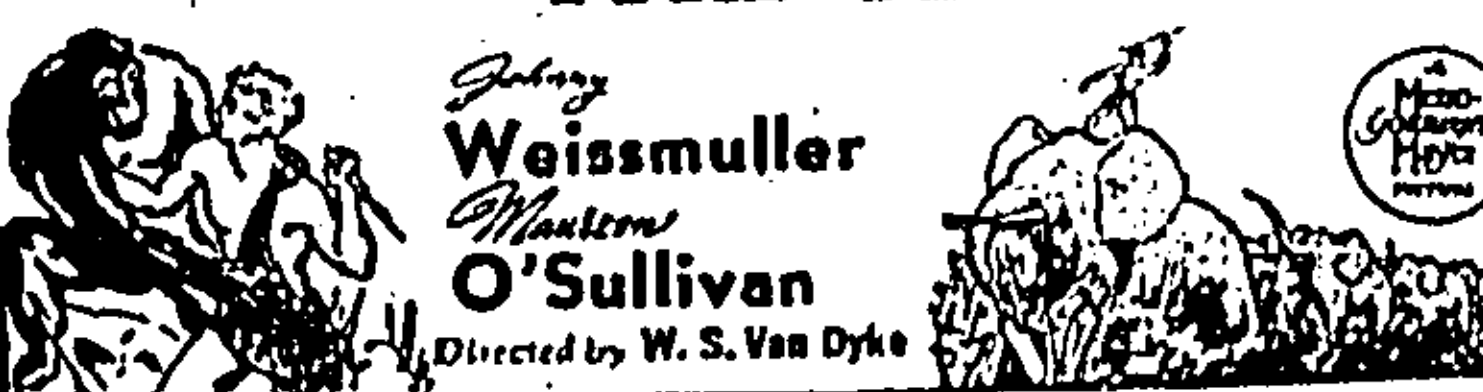
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## NEW PRESS LAW QUESTIONED IN COMMONS

### M. P. Says Anderson Has 'Goebbels' Power

THERE WAS A SHARP FIGHT IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS OVER THE DEFENCE REGULATION WHICH GIVES THE HOME SECRETARY POWER TO SUPPRESS ANY NEWSPAPER.

He may do so without any reference to a court or to Parliament if, in his opinion, it has systematically published matter calculated to promote opposition to the war.

Sir John Anderson dug his heels in and declared that so long as he was Home Secretary he would not shrink from these powers which, in ordinary times, he said, he would view with repugnance.

Mr. S. S. Silverman (Lab., Nelson and Colne) raised the matter by moving for the annulment of Regulation "2 d."

#### One-Man Decision

He asserted that the regulation gave the Home Secretary "complete power over the whole Press of this country, and places him in a position no whit inferior to that occupied by Dr. Goebbels in Germany in the matter of control of newspapers."

Commander King Hall (Nat. Lab., Ormskirk) did not see why one man should have the power of decision on what is or is not prejudicial to the successful prosecution of the war. Mr. Gladstone (Lab., Colne Valley) declared that "suspicion existed in the minds of many people that liberties of people were being improperly handed over to the Home Secretary."

Sir John Anderson jumped in to counter-attack. He was obviously in no defensive mood.

He began by saying that "the fullest possible liberty, consistent with vital national interests, should be allowed to the Press."

But the issue before them, he said, was whether freedom of expression of opinion should entail freedom to assist an enemy by systematic publication of matter calculated to foment opposition to the successful prosecution of the war.

#### Nightmare Perils

As for the suggestion that the powers might be used wantonly, no Home Secretary would dare to take action without the approval of the War Cabinet.

The regulation was admittedly posed to perils "that most of us have never imagined even in a nightmare."

But M.P.s saw no very compelling argument in all this, and continued to press for some form of judicial appeal.

Sir Richard Acland (L., Barnstaple) said that again and again in past months the Home Secretary had come to the House and described a set of terrible circumstances which might occur.

But the powers he sought went far beyond the emergency he described. Finally Sir John Anderson repeated his procedure of the Emergency Powers Bill, and called on Sir Donald Somervell, the Attorney-General, to help him.

This time the Attorney-General did not announce surrender, but supported the Home Secretary's refusal to yield.

Mr. E. Shinnell, in a powerful speech, said that in a panic situation he would much prefer to leave matters to a court rather than to a House of Commons, in which he thought they were all influenced by partisan considerations.

He pleaded with the Home Secretary and the Attorney-General not to be stubborn and obstinate.

Both of them, however, remained stubborn and obstinate.

Mr. Silverman's "prayer" was refused by 98 to 60, a majority of only 38.

#### 'Reactionary' Tax

Earlier in the evening, during discussion on the Budget, resolutions, Mr. G. Isaacs, Labour M.P. for Southwark, had fought against a different kind of danger to the Press.

The Purchase Tax was being applied to printed matter, he said, at a time when the printing industry was going through an unprecedented state of unemployment.

Yet newspapers were essential, and periodicals had been a blessing in the blackout, and they would be again.

Mr. D. Adams (Lab., Consett) described the newspaper tax as reactionary.

It was a tax upon knowledge, because the newspapers did convey a great deal of knowledge to the community.

The retail trade, he supposed, would have to add an additional halfpenny.

## INDUSTRY REPLACES FLANDERS LOSSES

### MORE GUNS & TANKS THAN WE HAD BEFORE

WORKING day and night British factories have more than replaced war equipment which the B.E.F. had to leave behind in the evacuation of Flanders and France.

More than 1,000 guns and great quantities of other materials were lost there.

By going without holidays British workers have built up a great reserve of guns, other weapons, transport vehicles, and everything necessary for carrying on the war on a grand scale.

And now comes a breathing space. The Minister of Labour will announce the resumption of holidays in all industries.

#### With Pay

But after that those who have worked at their benches and

## Forbidden City Sends Gifts To The Fleet

THREE HUNDRED pounds of special wool are on their way from the forbidden city of Lhasa, Tibet, to be made into thick socks for British sailors on war patrol in the North Sea.

The wool is the gift of Ksho Ringrong, a Tibetan official, who was educated in Rugby.

He gave it to Mr. Gould, political official in Sikkin, when he left Lhasa two months ago after attending the installation ceremonies of the new Dalai Lama.

#### Gifts For Viceroy

Mr. Gould is the bearer of a letter and five cases of gifts from His Holiness the Dalai Lama to Lord Linlithgow Viceroy of India.

The departure of the British representative was attended by a picturesque Tibetan ceremony.

An Tibetan regiment provided a guard of honour and, at the customary place, three miles outside Lhasa, representatives of the Regent, Prime Minister, Tibetan Cabinet and Lord Chamberlain presented farewell services.

During his stay in Lhasa, Mr. Gould paid official visits to the Dalai Lama, the Regent Prime Minister and Cabinet.

#### Hospital Constructed

Gifts to Mr. Gould included several horses and valuable examples of Tibetan and Chinese art.

The Tibetan Government has constructed a hospital in Lhasa, which, though less than two months since the plans were approved, is already sufficiently far advanced to accommodate several entangled cases.

## LATE NEWS

### Americans Leave Hankow

HANKOW, Oct. 21 (Reuters).—A party of American evacuees left for Shanghai this morning. Their departure had been delayed for several days by military operations launched by the Japanese.

Four women and child members of families of the Standard Oil Company had booked a passage to Shanghai on a transport last week, but the sailing was cancelled at the last minute as the vessel was used to transport troops.

### War Damage Claims Not Disclosed

London, Aug. 26.

According to the Daily Telegraph while it is not possible for the authorities to disclose the number of claims in respect of the Government's commodity insurance, it is said that some have been made and met by the companies dealing with the matter.

The amount claimed so far is comparatively very small having regard to the sum in the fund which now exceeds £30,000,000.

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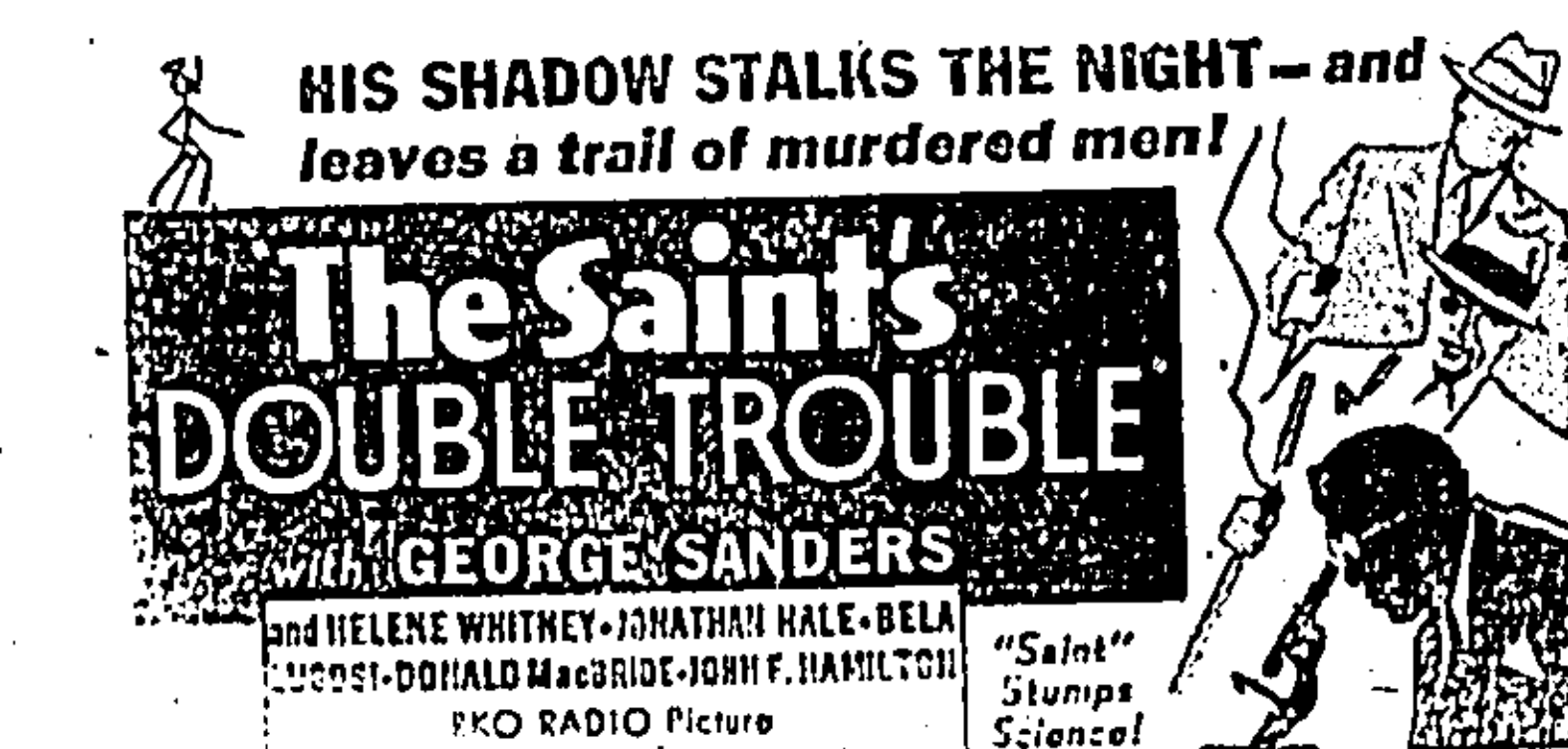


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## Pilot Finishes His Job

London, Aug. 26.

After an R.A.F. Pilot had attacked Abberville aerodrome and started a fire he was on his way home when he found that only his incendiary bombs had dropped when the switches were pressed and his high explosive bombs were still in their racks. He thereupon flew back to Abberville and bombed a second time.

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